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1891. SEPTEMBER.
- Sept. 25-26.—Aberdeen Club : Professional Tournament.  
Sept. 24-26.—Minchinhampton : Autumn Meeting.  
Alnmouth : Autumn Meeting.  
Luffness : Mr. Tait's Silver Cup and Star.  
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.  
Seaford : Monthly Medal.  
Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Challenge Cup ; Captain's Prize.
- Sept. 26.—Royal Eastbourne : Monthly Medal.  
West Lancashire : Monthly Medal.  
Glasgow : Match, Dumbarton, at Alexandra Park.  
Troon : Sandhills Medal.  
Warwickshire : Club Cup.  
Haydock Park : Legh Challenge Cup.  
Felixstowe : Monthly Challenge Cup.  
Royal Montreal : Dennistoun Medal.  
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal.  
Crookham : Monthly Medal.  
Prestwick : Monthly Medal.  
Ilkley : Monthly Medal.
- Sept. 28.—Royal Eastbourne : South Lynn Vase.  
Burnham : Monthly Gold Medal.
- Sept. 29-30.—Royal and Ancient, St. Andrews : Autumn Meeting.  
Sept. 30.—Tyneside : Autumn Meeting.

## OCTOBER.

- Oct. 1.—Tyneside : Autumn Meeting.  
Oct. 1-3.—Guildford : Autumn Meeting.  
Oct. 2.—Harrison, Edinburgh : Medal.  
Oct. 3.—London Scottish : Monthly Medal.  
Aberdeen Club : Scratch Medal and Burgmann Cup.

St. Andrews, N.B. RUSACK'S HOTEL, THE MARINE (on the Links). The Golf Metropolis—Parties boarded. Special terms to Golfers and families. W. RUSACK, Proprietor and Manager. Telegrams:—Rusack, St. Andrews, N.B. Telephone No. 1101.

- Oct. 3.—Brighton and Hove : The Berens Gold Medal.  
Royal Liverpool : Monthly Medal and Optional Subscription Prizes.  
Royal North Devon : Extra Monthly Medal.  
Minchinhampton : Monthly Medal.  
Bournemouth : Monthly Medal.  
Prestwick St. Nicholas : Bailie Wilson's Medal.  
Wilpshire District : Scratch Competition.  
Seaton Carew : Gray Trophy.  
Redhill and Reigate : Turner Medal.  
Selkirk : Captain's Prize.  
Rochdale : Autumn Competition.  
Richmond : Monthly Medal.  
Warwickshire : Lefroy Prize.  
Cathkin Braes : Gold Medal.  
Lea Hurst : President's Cup.  
Haydock Park : Captain's Cup.  
Aldeburgh : Silver Medal.  
Bowdon : Silver Medal Competition, under special handicap.  
Ilkley : Buckley Cup.  
Staines : Monthly Medal.
- Oct. 5, 6, 7.—Harrison, Edinburgh : Cup and Prizes.  
Oct. 6.—Cornwall County Golf Club : Monthly Handicap.  
Royal Blackheath : Monthly Medal.
- Oct. 6-7.—Hayling Island Ladies' : Bath Challenge Star ; Autumn Meeting ; Routledge Cup (Scratch) ; Handicap Prize ; Sweepstakes.  
Whitley : Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 6, 7, 8.—Dinard : Autumn Meeting, Club Cup, Open Handicap, Scratch Gold Medal, and Sweepstakes.
- Oct. 7.—Prestwick : Autumn Meeting.  
Oct. 7-9.—Royal North Devon : Autumn Meeting.  
Royal Liverpool : Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 8.—Innerleven : Autumn Meeting.  
Oct. 8-9.—Dornoch : Platt Cup.
- Oct. 9-10.—Brighton and Hove : Autumn Prize Meeting.  
Oct. 10.—Southport : Cup Competition.  
Aberdeen Club : Final Competition for Burgmann Cup.  
West Herts : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Challenge Cup (Yearly Competition) ; Captain's Prize (final).  
Littlestone : Monthly Medal.  
Guildford : Monthly Handicap.  
Royal Isle of Wight : Autumn Meeting ; Tottenham Gold Medal ; Club Prize.  
Tantallon : Autumn Meeting.  
Dublin : Lumsden Medal.  
Falkirk : Monthly Competition.  
Nairn : Pullar Medal.  
Wilpshire and District : Monthly Medal.  
Alnwick : Marsh Painting.  
Lytham and St. Anne's : Captain's Cup.  
Alnmouth : Marsh Prize.
- Oct. 12.—Royal Isle of Wight : Foursome Tournament for Prize given by the Club.  
Oct. 12-13.—Crookham : Autumn Meeting ; Open Challenge Cup.  
Oct. 13.—Royal Epping Forest : Kentish Cup.  
Oct. 13-15.—North Berwick : Autumn Golf Tournament.  
Oct. 16.—Harrison, Edinburgh : Medal.

- Oct. 17.—Dublin: Monthly Medal.
- Aberdeen Club: Pickop Cup.
- Royal Epping Forest: Quarterly Medal.
- Disley: Sixth Summer Handicap.
- Glasgow: Autumn Meeting.
- Prestwick St. Nicholas: Ayr Trophy, &c.
- Epsom: Monthly Medal.
- Haydock Park: Williamson Medal.
- Seaton Carew: Club Cup.
- Royal Montreal: Sidey Medal.
- Redhill and Reigate: Club Medal.
- Falkirk: Handicap Tournament.
- Lea Hurst: Monthly Competition.
- Royal Belfast: Autumn Meeting.
- St. Georges, Sandwich: Franklin-Adams Gold Medal;
- Club Cup; Caird Prize.
- Edinburgh C. A.: Autumn Meeting.
- Richmond: Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 17-19.—Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells: Autumn Meeting.
- St. Georges, Sandwich: Captain's Medal.
- Lytham and St. Anne's: Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 18.—Formby: Monthly Optional.
- Oct. 19.—St. Georges, Sandwich: Club Cup.
- Oct. 21.—Royal Epping Forest: Kentish Gold Medal; Noakes Cup.
- Oct. 23-24. Prestwick: *Evening Times* Trophy.
- Oct. 24.—Warwickshire: Leaf Prize.
- Royal Belfast: Iota Cup.
- Royal Montreal: Colts Champion Belt.
- Lytham and St. Anne's: Bury Cup.
- Forfar: Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 24-27.—Felixstowe: Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 29-31.—Royal Wimbledon: Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 30-31.—Royal Eastbourne: Autumn Meeting.
- Royal Eastbourne: Monthly Medal.
- Oct. 31.—Royal Epping Forest: Gordon Challenge Cup.
- Luffness: Wemyss Challenge Medal.
- Royal Wimbledon: Monthly Medal.
- Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells: Monthly Medal.
- Haddington: Ross Medal.
- Royal Montreal: Buchanan Cup.
- Dundee: Club Cross.
- Buxton and High Peak: Monthly Medal.
- Cathkin Braes: Vice-President's Prizes.
- Haydock Park: Legh Challenge Cup.
- Epsom: Rosebery Gold Medal.
- Alnmouth: Handicap Cup.
- Ilkley: Buckley Cup; Monthly Medal.



The professional foursome at St. Andrews last week seems to have been characterised more by two boisterous squabbles than by brilliant play. No sooner had the balls been struck off for the second round in the afternoon than there was an appeal to the referees on the part of Sayers and his partner. Their complaint arose out of Hugh Kirkaldy having driven from the first tee against Grant in the afternoon, whereas in the forenoon the elder Kirkaldy had driven from this tee. They held that Hugh had played out of the order which had been followed since the start of the match, and they claimed the hole in consequence. In this view they were supported by the referees, Col. Boyd, Mr. H. S. C. Everard and old Tom Morris, all of whom expressed themselves satisfied that there had been an infringement of the rules on the Kirkaldys' part, and that the penalty should be the loss of the hole. This ruling was subjected to a good deal of noisy criticism on the part of some members of the crowd; but the opinion of the referees seemed to be the opinion of all present who had made any study at all of the rules. On the green at the Hole o' Cross another unfortunate dispute arose. Sayers, who had to putt, lifted up a small mushroom, which he averred was lying broken, and which lay between his ball and the hole. His opponents affirmed that it was growing, and that he had no right to break it, and claimed the hole. After an angry discussion between the players, the umpires decided, as they did not see the mushroom, to give Sayers the benefit of the doubt, and allowed him to play.

**GOLFERS' PRIZE.**

Suppose, gentle reader, it were decided to play an international Golf match between England and Scotland, eight men a-side, whom would you select as the representative amateur teams—Englishmen for England, and Scotsmen for Scotland?

Write the names below in the order in which you consider their merit entitles them to rank, cut out the form and send it to this office on or before September 25th. A sovereign will be given to the sender of the list which agrees with the majority of votes, and a bound volume of GOLF to the second best list.

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As severe a drubbing as has been given to any professional golfers for some time was inflicted on Andrew and Hugh Kirkaldy, of St. Andrews, at North Berwick on Wednesday, the 16th inst, when the foursome for £50 a-side between these players and Sayers and Grant was brought to a close. Instead of the match ending in the discomfiture of the North Berwick men, as many foretold, the St. Andrews players suffered defeat by no fewer than 12 holes with 11 to play, and that in a match that was not distinguished by much brilliant play on either side. The North Berwick men certainly played by far the steadier Golf and by far the better foursome game, and they showed in the course of the match that they are capable of playing together in a way that would require a strong combination to beat them. Rumours of other matches are in the air, and the ball now set agoing may not rest where it is.

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The progress of Golf in England is marvellous. It bids fair to find a footing in every English town where a course of any kind is to be found. Mr. Broadhurst, M.P., who is quite an enthusiastic golfer, has just succeeded, through the courtesy of Mr. Upcher, of Sherringham Hall, Norfolk, in securing a concession for the establishment of a Golf course on the Sherringham Cliffs, and, with the addition of two fields which have also been acquired, it is hoped that there will be ample space for eighteen holes. The situation is a magnificent one. The cliffs are a great height above the sea, and command extensive views of the lovely inland scenery. Sherringham is four miles west of Cromer, itself rapidly becoming a favourite summer resort, and the railway station is within five minutes' walk of the first hole. The proposed course presents plenty of difficulties, but the turf is excellent—far better than that on the Cromer links, which are much crowded just now.

The *Glasgow Evening Times* Golf Trophy, one of the handsomest pieces of work we have yet seen, was on exhibition all last week in the shop of the well-known Golf Depot, Messrs. Goudie and Co., Princes Street, Edinburgh. The trophy has been manufactured by Mr. Jas. Weir, of Buchanan Street, Glasgow, and is a triumph of the silversmith's art. Its value is upwards of £130, and is in the form of a massive silver tablet, with gold mounts emblazoned by most delicately enamelled medallion pictures. A full description of the trophy appeared in our issue of August 7th. The trophy is open for competition to all Scottish clubs, and is to be held by the winning club in the annual tournament. We cannot speak too highly of the munificence and enterprise which have prompted the proprietors of the *Evening Times* to give such a trophy for the encouragement of match-playing Golf. Mr. Weir has carried out the work in the most artistic manner. The trophy is now on view at the London office of the newspaper, 65, Fleet Street, E.C., and we are asked to state that golfers are invited to call and see it.

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Golf without cessation  
Brings nought but vexation ;  
Golf in moderation  
Is pleasant recreation.

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Acting probably on the adage that "the early bird catches the worm," Tom Dunn, C. Gibson, Douglas Rolland, Alexander, and Peter Paxton were out early last week practising for the professional tournament inaugurated by the Brighton and Hove Golf Club. Some excellent play was shown, notably by Peter Paxton, who went round the course well in the seventies. On the 15th inst. three capital foursomes were played. In the first, Tom Dunn and Gibson, conceding four strokes to Ramage and Mr. A. Denman, were defeated by two holes. The winning couple then defeated Rolland and Gibson on the same terms by four up and two to play. But perhaps the best match of the day was that in which Mr. Acklom and Rolland, playing level against Tom Dunn and Mr. A. Denman, defeated them on the last hole by one. In this match Rolland and his partner took the first hole in four, and having got their noses ahead kept them there—but that was all. They turned one up, and were again one up at the sixteenth, although the others three or four times reduced them to all even. Playing the seventeenth, Rolland's ball unfortunately rolled as he was addressing it, but this was compensated for by a ten-yard putt, which Mr. Acklom holed, and they got a half, which made them dormy one. At the last hole Mr. Acklom put in a fine drive. Mr. Denman failing to carry the ridge, Dunn was unable quite to reach the green. Mr. Denman here made amends for his bad drive by laying the approach within a foot of the hole. This gave them the half, but was not enough to save one of the best matches yet fought on the green. Mr. Acklom throughout played a game which any scratch player would be glad to bring off in a medal round. It was only owing to straightness and steadiness on the part of the losers that they met with so small a defeat. It may interest those who know this course to hear that Rolland's drive to the sixth hole (the old fifth) lay ten yards beyond the green in a direct line for the flag.

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Dr. Andrew Wilson (in "Science Jottings," in the *Illustrated London News*) dares disparage Golf "as an ideal game for young men," venturing to advocate the preferential claims of fogeyish Cricket, and even of futile Lawn Tennis—

"O Scots, wha hae wi' Balfour teed."

What *will* ye say to this disloyal, slanderous, sacrilegious Andy? He hints that Golf is a mere modish fashion—even a *fin de siècle* fad!!! How many perfervid and patriotic Scots will

"Condemn his soul to eternal perdition  
For his theory of the—National Game?"

He says "you hit a ball and walk after it, and manœuvre it into a hole." Eugh! Such icy analysis would make Billiards a bore, and resolve "Knuckle-down" into nonsense! "It is not (*Golf is not!*) a proceeding (*proceeding, quotha!*) of which

youths and young men should grow enamoured." As though, forsooth, Golf were a sort of elderly siren luring limp and languorous youths into illegitimate courses; a *passée* Delilah, whose enervating fascinations sapped the virile vigour that might be dedicated to "that noblest of sports," Cricket, or even that "much better game," Lawn Tennis!!! Surely the devotees of the Golf-cultus, the lovers of the links, will be down like a "driver" upon Dr. Wilson. Oh, Andy, Andy, between you and your "brither Scots" there is henceforth "a great Golf fixed"!—*Punch*.

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Mr. Arthur Denman recently lowered the amateur record of the Brighton and Hove links, going round in the fine total of 79 during a strong "south-wester." Mr. Denman has repeatedly been over the course in 83 and 84. Ramage, the local professional's record is 76.

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Douglas Rolland justified his reputation as the longest driver during the professional tournament held last week at Brighton. The distance from the tee to the sixth hole is 210 yards in a bee line, and Rolland's carry with his drive on going round in competition on Thursday with Tom Dunn, was beyond the hole, while the ball ran some ten or fifteen yards further, making a drive of between 220 and 230 yards.

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There is not uncommonly a high cross-wind on the Brighton links, and going to the sixth hole it is a partial, but not a direct following, breeze. It blew almost a gale on Thursday. On the previous day the Limsfield professional twice carried this green. At other parts of the course his drives were almost uniformly long, and generally in a good line.

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The play of the Tooting Bec professional, Tom Dunn, in the Brighton tournament was much admired, and surprise was pretty generally expressed at his overthrow. He and Peter Paxton played a very close game, but Dunn undoubtedly suffered more from the drenching, gale-driven rain which prevailed during their match.

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Admiration unstinted was also evoked by the performance of Paxton and Alexander in the final heat. The two played closely together, and a finer display of Golf is rarely to be seen.

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There was a striking similarity, almost exactitude, about Paxton's three wins. He won the match against Jones, the youthful Bembridge professional, by one hole, and that by one stroke; he triumphed over Tom Dunn by two strokes on the Home green; and after an equal match with Alexander in the final, he secured the tie at the second hole by one stroke.

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Tom Dunn was called in to assist in laying out the new course at Brighton. Paxton and Alexander (final heat) were photographed on the ninth green, and again on the eighteenth, together with the other professionals in a group.

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Willie Fernie, Troon, played a round with Hugh Kirkaldy, St. Andrews, over Troon links on Saturday, the 19th inst. The match was for score, and they finished, Fernie in 76—out, 38, in, 38; and Kirkaldy in 78—out, 38, in 40. Andrew Kirkaldy at the same time played George Fernie, and they went round all square in 80.

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Willie Fernie, Troon, and his brother, George Fernie, Troon, played the brothers Andrew and Hugh Kirkaldy, a seventy-two hole match over Troon and Prestwick—thirty-six holes over the former, on Monday, and thirty-six over Prestwick on Tuesday. Particulars of the match will appear in next week's issue.

Playing in a three-ball match last week on Culcabock, the Home green of the Inverness Golf Club, Mr. W. Cromb, of that club, performed the remarkable feat of holing the third hole in two each round in three consecutive rounds. This hole, though only a full iron shot, is seldom secured under three, owing to the peculiar nature of the ground.

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Mr. J. B. Radcliffe (hon. secretary of the Whitley Golf Club), one of the best golfers in the North of England, accomplished the following clever feat at Newcastle on the 18th inst. in the presence of three thousand spectators. The programme to be gone through was as follows:—To scull a quarter of a mile, to swim a quarter of a mile, to run a quarter of a mile, to ride a bicycle a quarter of a mile, and to ride a horse a quarter of a mile, the whole performance to be accomplished within fifteen minutes. Mr. Radcliffe won very easily, his total time being 12 mins. 48 secs., having thus 2 mins. 12 secs. in hand.

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While Mr. A. W. Millar, of the Musselburgh Club, was playing on Friday morning last, he holed the fourth, or "Sea Hole," at Musselburgh, in one. The distance is about 140 or 150 yards.

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The drill ground of the 1st Lanark Rifle Volunteers at Yorkhill, Glasgow, has been laid out as a six-hole Golf course, and will be formally opened to-morrow (Saturday). It is proposed to confine the membership to those who are, or have been, connected with the corps.

**KNUTSFORD GOLF CLUB.**—These links, which have been laid out in Lord Egerton of Tatton's beautiful park at Tatton, near Knutsford, by Lowe, of St. Anne's-on-the-Sea, were opened on Saturday, September 12th, by Lady Egerton of Tatton, in the presence of a large number of members of the club which has recently been formed. The opening ceremony was performed by Lady Egerton of Tatton teeing off the ball from the Knutsford end of the park, and declaring the links open. After Lord Egerton had played a few strokes the first game was begun between the captain, Mr. Charles Ashworth, who has been largely instrumental in getting up the club, and Mr. Frank Merriman, the club's first secretary. The residents about Knutsford are very much indebted to Lord Egerton of Tatton for his kindness in placing at the disposal of the club, at a nominal rent, his private park for their use; and it is to be hoped that the noble president, as well as the members of the club, many of whom are strangers to the Royal and Ancient game of Golf, will soon become interested in it. When the greens have been got into better order there is no reason why the links should not be as good as any inland course possibly can be.

**FORMATION OF A CLUB AT NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.**—A large and influential meeting was held at the Continental Restaurant, Newcastle, on the 18th inst., for the purpose of forming a Golf club for the city. Dr. Wilson presided; a letter was read from the Newcastle Town Moor Management Committee, granting permission to play Golf upon a portion of the town moor. The annual rental will be ten guineas. Mr. R. T. Thomson moved, that a club should be formed to play Golf on the moor. They had a lot of golfers in Newcastle, and the game was growing in popularity daily in the north. Dr. Limont seconded. It was decided to call the new venture, "City of Newcastle Golf Club." Messrs. F. W. Bates and J. B. Radcliffe were appointed honorary secretaries. It was stated that the cost of organising the club would be about £300. The following were elected as a sub-committee to carry out the laying of the course:—Messrs. J. Tennant, J. B. Radcliffe, G. Charlton, and Dr. Robson. The general committee of the club consists of Messrs. G. F. Charlton, J. Tennant, Dr. A. Wilson, Dr. Black, Dr. E. W. Wilson, Dr. G. W. Ridley, Captain Stewart, and Mr. J. Brigg. Mr. R. T. Thomson was elected hon. treasurer. The membership of the club is already upwards of fifty. Operations will be begun at once, and the course is expected to prove equal to any in the neighbourhood.



### THE JUBILEE VASE COMPETITION.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—My attention has been directed to your article on the late Jubilee Vase Competition in your issue of 11th inst.

You truly state the reason which induced me, when I presented the vase, to fix an entry money payment of £1, and, as you say, the "object has certainly been attained."

But I wish to take exception to another remark of yours. You say "it is a matter for consideration whether the original conditions might not be modified in accordance with a considerable mass of opinion." So far as my information goes, I believe the majority would be sorry to see the entry money abolished. Most men "go" the half-crown. Indeed it has been said that if the question were taken to the House of Lords they would decide that if "nothing was said before starting," it must be considered that it was "understood half-a-crown."

Be that as it may, the tournament lasts three or four days, so that a man in staking his £1, entry money, only risks the stakes of four days play, viz., eight matches at half-a-crown each, and has an equal chance of winning that back, the same (if not a better) chance which he is presumed to have when he starts to play his ordinary match.

You, Sir, truly say that the "art of handicapping is well understood." Witness the great difficulty we experience in arranging the handicap for the Calcutta Cup, where "a hole," the equivalent of two strokes, is often too much, and no hole too little. Even "with strokes" I have often been feign to wish that there had been such a thing as half a stroke. However, it is generally near enough, and practically places every man on an equality. The man receiving most odds ought to be able to back himself "even" against the man who owes strokes to "scratch."

I therefore hold that this entry money of £1, to which you object, is not more than what the generality of players are in the habit of staking daily, and I do not think there is a "considerable mass of opinion" against it.

I am, Sir, &c.,

D. S. STEWART.

West Park, St. Andrews, N.B.,  
September 14th.

### THE RULES AND SIZE OF HOLES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I beg to thank you for your kindly notice of my "Description of the Game," published as a preface to the rules for the use of beginners in the Wimbledon Ladies' Golf Club. As it is thus brought into wider notice, it is due to myself to explain how it came about that so many open questions are there stated in so positive a manner. For instance, on the

question of the size of the putting holes I wrote thus: "Somewhere on each of these eighteen greens a hole is made of four and a-quarter inches diameter."

When it came to my knowledge that a committee had been appointed by the St. Andrews Club to revise the rules of the game as played on St. Andrews links, it seemed a good opportunity to suggest to that committee that, as in all other rules of games, a description of the game of Golf should precede the rules. This would have the double advantage of explaining the game to beginners (preventing slovenly play), and would make it possible to cut out several of the so-called rules. I compiled therefore this description and sent it to that committee as a basis to work upon in case they liked to adopt the idea.

I beg cordially to agree with you, Mr. Editor, that sooner or later we must have a "Golfing Association," to define the rules and to settle disputes, as we already have with cricket, football, hockey, &c. The oldest extant rules might be taken as a basis, and these are probably those of the Blackheath Golf Club, which is not only the oldest Golf club, but the oldest club of any description in existence.

I shall be pleased to send a copy of this "Description of the Game" to any of your readers who care to send me an addressed envelope, and shall be grateful for any suggestions in the way of improvements, especially in the direction of conciseness.

Many years ago four of us tried to play the game without any other instruction than was conveyed by the St. Andrews rules; and if any of your readers want a bit of fun, allow me to suggest to them to give a set of clubs, a box of balls, and a copy of St. Andrews rules to a couple of men of ordinary intelligence, tell them to play the game without further instruction, and watch the amusing result.

This is my apology for the leaflet under review.

I am, Sir, &c.,

J. FRANKLIN-ADAMS.

Grange Cottage, Wimbledon,  
9th September, 1891.

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"OLD DAW."

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I think you are in error in calling the man who sells ginger-beer at the ninth hole at St. Andrews in your issue of the 11th inst., by the name of "Daw." It is David Anderson, and contracted to "Da," by elision of the *vid*, in the Scotch fashion.

I am, Sir, &c.,

A SOUTHERNER.

[“A Southerner” is wrong in his phonetics. It is true that in the Scottish doric one does not find “fa” written as “faw,” or “awa” as “awaw;” but in representing to the eye the approximate pronunciation of a dialect, there is no fixed rule; it is largely a matter of individual taste and euphony. On the point of analogy, “A Southerner” would appear to be right, but Mr. Everard, in indicating phonetically the local pronunciation of a proper name belonging to an individual respected and admired as one of the unique institutions of the town, is perfectly correct. In a tongue rich as Italian in melodious vowel sounds the name is pronounced “Daw,” not “Dah,” as would be the case were the orthography of our correspondent to be followed.—ED.]

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A RECORD SCORE AT MALVERN.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I think it may be of interest to your readers to know that D. Brown, the professional here, went round with me yesterday morning on the Malvern course in the very low score of 71, this being his own record, and equalling the record of Douglas Rolland made some time ago.

He accomplished the lower half of the course, which is by far the longest, in the grand score of 34, establishing the record for this half. Brown intends competing for the golfing championship next month.

I am, Sir, &c.,

H. G. B. E.

Oakwood, West Malvern,  
September 20th, 1891

AID TO BEGINNERS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I have read “W. E. G.’s” rather overdrawn picture in yours of the 11th inst., but I should like to say a sober word to experienced golfers, on behalf of the beginners.

Golfers, as a rule, are jolly good fellows, and far from selfish; and I am sure they need only to be reminded of Burns’ lines “Wad some power the giftie gie us,” to turn over a new leaf in one respect, and that is, the way in which they leave beginners to puddle along by themselves.

The result of my observation on three or four of the London suburban links is this: as soon as a man can go round under the 100 his desire is to play with his peers, or his betters, and he more often than not forgets how *he* was taken by the hand, and, I fear, forgets the novices.

Some of us have not the time or opportunity for practice that the better players have; for myself I have not much room for complaint, but I know that if the good players would only now and again say to a new member, or to a duffer, “come along and play half-a-dozen holes with me,” he would feel that he had performed not only a good action, but a duty, in a club, and he would earn the thanks and lasting regard of the neophytes in Golf.

I am, Sir, &c.,

G. E. B.

September 17th, 1891.

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PRACTICE FOR BEGINNERS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Perhaps the best way for a beginner to practise Golf is for him to have a small space enclosed on three sides, and roofed with netting of a mesh rather smaller than a Golf ball can get through. By this means he can get all the practice he wants without walking after the ball. Indeed, if there were a net of this description at the first tee, it would be useful for all players to get rid of their stiffness.

On this plan, a golfer in the country out of the way of links might keep his hand in. A bunker could be made with a few barrowfuls of sand.

I am, Sir, &c.,

K. P. T.

The Club House, St. Andrews,  
September 11th.

EDINBURGH CADDIES’ BENEFIT FUND.—A scheme has been drawn up for the formation of an Edinburgh Caddies’ Benefit Fund, the objects of which are to relieve caddies or professional golfers who, from old age, illness, accident, or other unavoidable cause, are deprived of regular work, and the temporary assistance of the widows and families of caddies and professional golfers who may have been left destitute. The rules of the fund are modelled upon those in vogue at St. Andrews, the caddies’ weekly contribution being 3d. Mr. Lindsay G. Ross has consented to act as hon. secretary and treasurer of the fund.

EDINBURGH THISTLE CLUB.—This club met at the Braid Hills on Saturday, and brought off their postponed competition for the half-yearly medal and prizes presented by the club; also the monthly trophy. Thirty-two players started in a crowded green, which had the result of the scores not being as good as usual. Mr. R. Walker, who had played a steady game, secured the half-yearly medal, monthly trophy, and first prize with a score of 79, less 1=78. He therefore ties with Mr. J. Ross, the previous winner of the half-yearly medal, for the honour of becoming the holder for the season. The following are the prize-winners:—Mr. R. Walker, 79, less 1=78; Mr. J. Bell, 84, less 3=81; Mr. R. Harvey, sen., 85, less 3=82; Captain J. Smith, 110, less 28=82; Mr. J. Grant, 97, less 14=83; Mr. T. Weston, 93, less 9=84; Mr. W. Cunningham, 97, less 12=85; Mr. J. Braid, 86, scratch; Mr. F. Hastie, 93, less 6=87; Mr. R. Harvey, jun., 92, less 5=87; Mr. J. Williamson, 94, less 7=87; Mr. T. Brown, 102, less 15=87; Mr. C. Struthers, 97, less 9=88; Mr. W. Crowhurst, 106, less 18=88; Mr. A. Struthers, 104, less 15=89; Mr. C. Macrae, 107, less 16=91; Mr. J. Clement, 105, less 14=91.



ABERDEEN.

Saturday was another delightful golfing day here, and quite a large number of players were hard at work over our two local greens. The members of the Aberdeen club were out in strong force over the Balgonnie links, preparatory to the opening of their autumn meeting; while over the whole course on the Aberdeen links the members of the Victoria club competed for Messrs. James Williams and John R. Smith's prizes (played for under handicap). On comparing the cards handed in it was found that Mr. Williams's prize (for first-class players) was, for the fourth time, won by Mr. A. Mitchell with a scratch score of 84. The competition for Mr. Smith's prize (for second-class players), resulted in a tie between Messrs. George Hendry (scratch), 93, and George Souter, 105, less 12=93; and these two will have to meet again to play off the tie. The following are the lowest cards handed in:—

|                                |  |                                |
|--------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| Gross. Hcp. Net.               |  | Gross. Hcp. Net.               |
| Mr. A. Mitchell ... 84 scr. 84 |  | Mr. T. Crighton ... 96 scr. 96 |
| Mr. G. Mortimer ... 92 5 87    |  | Mr. J. Grant ... 97 scr. 97    |
| Mr. G. Hendry ... 93 scr. 93   |  | Mr. W. Argo ... 98 scr. 98     |
| Mr. G. Souter ... 105 12 93    |  |                                |

BRIGHTON AND HOVE GOLF CLUB.

The quarterly competition for the cup presented by the president (Baron de Worms) took place on Saturday over the new eighteen-hole course. The weather throughout the day was most unfavourable for good scoring, a high wind from the south-west prevailing, and driving a continuous heavy rain, with occasional sea fog, athwart the course. The present conditions are that the cup on being won twice shall become the property of the winner, but prior to that regulation Mr. Walter Carr, the captain, had on two occasions secured the trophy. The next double winner will, therefore, have to compete with Mr. Carr for its ultimate possession. Notwithstanding the boisterous, drenching weather, fifteen couples went the round, and the gross scores of 89 by Mr. Arthur Denman and Mr. J. Brock must in the circumstances be regarded as very creditable, though considerably above the respective records of these gentlemen. The cup was won by Mr. Prideaux Brune with a net score of 79. The scores are appended:—

|                                 |  |                               |
|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| Gross. Hcp. Net.                |  | Gross. Hcp. Net.              |
| Mr. P. E. Prideaux              |  | Mr. L. D. Ryder ... 108 20 88 |
| Brune ... 93 14 79              |  | Mr. H. E. Acklom 97 8 89      |
| Mr. J. Brock ... 89 8 81        |  | Mr. H. W. Street... 103 14 89 |
| Mr. A. N. Scott ... 101 20 81   |  | Mr. C. O. Walker... 99 8 91   |
| Mr. Walter Carr ... 90 6 84     |  | Mr. W. W. Thomson 102 12 90   |
| Mr. B. Howell ... 90 6 84       |  | Capt. D. Boycote .. 107 15 92 |
| Mr. Arthur Denman 89 3 86       |  | Mr. T. S. D. Selby 110 16 94  |
| Mr. P. A. Willett ... 101 14 87 |  | Mr. W. C. Beaumont 115 20 95  |
| Mr. H. A. Hodson... 104 17 87   |  | Mr. H. R. Scott ... 118 20 98 |
| Major Marriott ... 106 18 88    |  |                               |

No returns:—Mr. W. O. Baily, Mr. R. W. Kerr, Mr. R. H. Burnett, Mr. C. W. Johnson, Mr. A. C. Johnson, Mr. C. E. Nesham, Rev. T. H. Belcher, Mr. J. Harward, Colonel Hough, and Mr. H. R. Burnett.

**CLEEK CLUB.**—The Edinburgh Cleek Golf Club held their annual competition for the Holiday cup and other handicap prizes over Dunbar Links on Thursday, the 17th inst. The day being showery made the green rather heavy, which was unfavourable for low scoring. Mr. Cranston was winner of the Holiday cup with a net score of 88. Mr. Holiday was next for second prize with a net score of 94; Mr. Doughty third with a net score of 95, and Mr. Frater fourth with a net score of 96. After play the company adjourned to the George Hotel, and held a social.

**CALLENDER.**—The captain's (Mr. W. B. Gray) medal has been won by Miss Buchanan Baillie Hamilton, of Cambusmore. The match was a handicap one.

CARNARVONSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The competition for Lord Penrhyn's prize, a challenge cup, value ten guineas, with club medal, came off on Tuesday, the 15th inst., on the Conway links in very favourable weather. The competition was under handicaps, which were arranged by a committee. There were eighteen competitors, and much interest was taken in the event. The following was the scoring, the course being eighteen holes, over as fine links as there are in the country. The first prize was won by the vice-president, Mr. Albert Wood, and the second prize, consisting of a set of Golf-clubs with bag, was won by Mr. Healey.

|                               |  |                                |
|-------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| Gross. Hcp. Net.              |  | Gross. Hcp. Net.               |
| Mr. Albert Wood ... 112 20 92 |  | Col. Marshall ... 119 20 99    |
| Mr. Healey ... 117 24 93      |  | Mr. Hartley ... 123 24 99      |
| Mr. Hillman ... 100 6 94      |  | Mr. Weir ... 108 7 101         |
| Mr. O. Williams ... 109 12 97 |  | Mr. A. Evill ... 125 24 101    |
| Rev. J. Jenkins ... 125 28 97 |  | Mr. E. H. Lloyd ... 139 28 111 |
| Mr. Fincham ... 127 30 97     |  | Capt. Lempriere ... 138 25 113 |
| Mr. Young ... 104 6 98        |  | Dr. Greer ... 160 36 124       |
| Mr. Harold Smith... 105 6 99  |  |                                |

Mr. R. A. Woods, scratched; Mr. Frank Smith, no return.

CUMBRAE GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the monthly handicap gold medals, presented by Messrs. Russell and Allan, was played on Saturday in magnificent weather. The course and the greens were in very good condition, and the turn-out of members was very large. After a very enjoyable eighteen-hole round the following was found to be the result:—

|                               |  |                                 |
|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| Gross. Hcp. Net.              |  | Gross. Hcp. Net.                |
| Mr. Russell ... 106 14 92     |  | Mr. J. Reid ... 111 8 103       |
| Mr. J. C. Sharpe ... 105 7 98 |  | Mr. J. McCreadie ... 126 18 108 |
| Mr. J. L. Davidson 103 4 99   |  | Mr. W. Barclay ... 126 18 108   |
| Mr. J. K. Hunter... 106 4 102 |  |                                 |

Mr. Russell was the winner of the Russell medal, and Mr. Reid of the Allan medal.

DISLEY GOLF CLUB.

The fifth summer handicap was contested on Saturday, September 19th, and there were many entries. The weather was dull and close, and the greens were rather heavy. Mr. P. Campbell, with a net score of 82, secured a win for the medal and also took the first sweepstake prize, the second and third falling to Rev. G. O'Brien and Mr. G. Greenwell. Mr. W. Bell's score of 92 was the lowest gross return made. The scores were as follows:—

|                                 |  |                                |
|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| Gross. Hcp. Net.                |  | Gross. Hcp. Net.               |
| Mr. P. Campbell ... 118 36 82   |  | Mr. T. Norris ... 113 20 93    |
| Rev. G. O'Brien ... 115 30 85   |  | Mr. A. Hutton ... 107 12 95    |
| Mr. G. C. Greenwell ... 96 7 89 |  | Mr. H. Garrett ... 111 14 97   |
| Mr. G. Hutton ... 104 14 90     |  | Mr. R. C. Hutton ... 106 7 99  |
| Mr. W. Bell ... 92 scr. 92      |  | Mr. J. D. Milne ... 118 18 100 |

The rest of the players made no returns or were over 100 net. Afterwards a general meeting of the club was held, and it was resolved to increase the number of members, which, up to now, has been limited to 70.

ELIE AND EARLSFERRY LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

This club's season was on Friday brought to a close with the most successful meeting of the year. The day was good, and there was a large turn-out of competitors. In the ladies' singles, the Cairnie challenge cup, held by the winner for a year, and the Thomson prize, presented to the lady member of the club making the lowest handicap score, were won by Miss D. Ferguson with the score of 71, less 3=68. For the Taylor prize, presented to the lady member making the lowest scratch score, Miss May Thomson and Miss D. Ferguson tied with a score of 71. In playing off the tie, each returned a score of 35 for the nine holes, and in a second round of the green they tied again, the tie being finally won on playing out three holes by Miss May Thomson by a stroke. In the ladies' singles (open), the first scratch prize was won by Miss F. Brown with a score of 70, and the second by Miss May Thomson with 71. In the handicap competition, the first prize was gained by Miss D. Ferguson with a score of 68 (71, less 3), whilst three ladies, Miss May Thomson, Miss Ferguson, and Miss F. Brown, tied for the second and third prizes, these being ultimately won by Miss May Thomson, and Miss Ferguson respectively. In the gentlemen's singles, Mr. R. Whytt, won both the scratch and handicap prizes with the record score of 62 (31 and 31) in the scratch competition, and 64 (62 plus 2) in the handicap. In the ladies' foursomes, the first prize was won by Miss May Thomson and Miss Norah Prain, and the second by Miss Pearson and Mrs. Porteous. In the mixed foursomes, Miss B. Ferguson and Mr. S. Paterson took the first prize, the second being won by Miss F. Brown and Mr. L. Gray. At the close of the competition the prizes were presented in the Elie Golf House Club by Lady Anstruther of Balcaskie, the lady patron of the club, who,

in acknowledging a vote of thanks accorded to her on the motion of Mr. Scott Davidson, yr. of Cairnie, for the interest she had taken in the club, and for her presence at the closing competition of the year, expressed the pleasure it gave her to be able to present prizes, and the satisfaction she had felt on seeing so many ladies taking part in the competition, and on the high quality of their play. The following is a note of some of the best scores for the eighteen holes:—Mr. R. Whytt, 62, plus 2=64; Mr. J. Ferguson, 65, plus 2=67; Miss D. Ferguson, 71, less 3=68; Mr. S. Paterson, 67, plus 3=70; Miss F. Brown, 70, scratch=70; Miss May Thomson, 71, less 1=70; Miss Ferguson, 73, less 3=70; Mr. R. A. Taylor, 68, plus 3=71; Mr. N. Robson, 72, less 1=71; Dr. Fowler, 69, plus 3=72; Miss Prain, 72, scratch=72; Miss L. Prain, 72, scratch=72; Miss Pearson, 72, scratch=72; Miss B. Ferguson, 78, less 6=72; Miss Fowler, 78, less 6=72.

FELIXSTOWE GOLF CLUB.

In dull and showery weather, the ninth competition for the prize given by the ex-captain was played on Saturday last. The greens were heavy, and the scoring high in consequence. Mr. S. Mure Ferguson made the best scratch round. The scores returned were as under:—

| Gross. Hcp. Net.     |     |    | Gross. Hcp. Net. |                          |       |    |
|----------------------|-----|----|------------------|--------------------------|-------|----|
| Mr. C. G. Tunks ...  | 95  | 12 | 83               | Mr. S. Mure Ferguson ... | 87 +3 | 90 |
| Mr. T. A. Fison ...  | 99  | 13 | 86               | Mr. J. M. Henderson ...  | 95    | 4  |
| Mr. C. E. Greig ...  | 95  | 9  | 86               | Mr. E. A. Tewson ...     | 103   | 10 |
| Mr. F. Pownall ...   | 104 | 16 | 88               |                          |       |    |
| Mr. G. Thompson ...  | 102 | 13 | 89               |                          |       |    |
| Mr. A. F. Waters ... | 99  | 10 | 89               |                          |       |    |

Twenty-three other competitors made no returns.

FORFARSHIRE.

The monthly competition for the medal of the Montrose Mercantile Club was concluded last week. The following is the result:—First Class.—Mr. G. M. Smith, 78, 3 below; Mr. Thomas Sheret, 82, 2 below; Mr. W. Gordon, 86, 2 below; Mr. R. Keillor, 85, 1 below; Mr. J. Wishart, 87, at number; Mr. A. Paterson, 89, at number; Mr. E. M'Donald, 88, at number. Second Class.—Mr. J. Bowick, 92, 4 below; Mr. Mr. J. Sheriffs, 93, 4 below; Mr. J. R. Davidson, 96, 4 below; Mr. A. Wilson, 96, 4 below; Mr. D. P. Stott, 91, 3 below. Third Class.—Mr. — M'Kenzie, 100, 3 below; Mr. R. L. Sinclair.

The competition for the sixth, seventh, and eighth prizes in connection with the ladies' handicap tournament at Montrose, which was delayed on account of bad weather, was concluded the other week. Mrs. Pressley Smith, Edinburgh, won the sixth prize; Miss Lyell, of Gadyne, the seventh; and Miss Watson, Montrose, the eighth.

The members of the Montrose Mechanics' Club on the afternoon of Saturday last competed for the autumn medal and the gold cross. The weather was all that could be wished, and the greens were in excellent condition. The autumn medal, decided by the lowest scores, was won by Mr. Edward Cobb at 80, his number, while the gold cross was gained by Mr. W. G. Mowatt at 87, being 3 below his registered number. The next best scores were:—Mr. J. Wishart, 87, 1 below; Mr. G. Jarvis, 93, number; Mr. C. Foreman, 90, 1 above; Mr. J. Hampton, 84, 2 above; Mr. R. Cobb, 84, 3 above; Mr. G. Macintosh, 83, 3 above; Mr. J. Leggat, 92, 7 above.

A match between the married and single members of the Arbroath Club, accompanied by a sweepstake, came off on the Elliot course on Saturday last. Sixteen couples started, and the result of the sweepstake was as follows:—1, Mr. David Greig; 2 and 3 (tied) Mr. R. Guthrie and Mr. D. Brown; 4, Mr. J. Mann. The following are the details of the match:—

| SINGLE.                |        | MARRIED.              |        |
|------------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------|
|                        | Holes. |                       | Holes. |
| Mr. Edwards ...        | 3      | Mr. J. Duncan ...     | 0      |
| Mr. Garvie ...         | 0      | Mr. T. Aitken ...     | 0      |
| Mr. R. Corstorphin ... | 0      | Mr. J. Arbuthnott ... | 0      |
| Mr. A. Yule ...        | 0      | Mr. D. Greig ...      | 0      |
| Mr. A. D. Lowson ...   | 0      | Mr. J. Doig ...       | 1      |
| Mr. J. Mann ...        | 6      | Mr. D. Brown ...      | 1      |
| Mr. Shepherd ...       | 1      | Mr. A. L. Braid ...   | 0      |
| Mr. D. M. Smart ...    | 0      | Mr. W. Alexander ...  | 3      |
| Mr. D. B. Watters ...  | 0      | Mr. A. Scott ...      | 3      |
| Mr. G. Macdonald ...   | 0      | Mr. R. Crichton ...   | 0      |
| Mr. C. G. Greig ...    | 0      | Mr. R. Guthrie ...    | 8      |
| Mr. J. Kydd ...        | 0      | Mr. E. Thomson ...    | 0      |
| Mr. H. Bell ...        | 5      | Mr. R. Kinloch ...    | 0      |
| Mr. W. Saunders ...    | 0      | Mr. J. Ross ...       | 6      |
| Mr. T. Aitken ...      | 10     | Mr. R. Gleig ...      | 0      |
| Mr. J. R. W. Clark ... | 9      | Mr. D. Alexander ...  | 0      |
| Total ...              | 34     | Total ...             | 22     |

HAWICK CLUB.—The Bombay medal competition took place on the Hawick course, in pleasant weather. Details:—Mr. James Purves, 101, less 10=91; Mr. Thomas Carmichael, 111, less 18=93; Mr. George Douglas, 94, plus 5=99; Mr. J. J. Oliver, 112, less 11=101.

FORMBY GOLF CLUB.

The autumn meeting of the above club took place on Saturday, and proved very successful, the day being a perfect golfing one. The course of nine holes has been considerably lengthened of late, and scratch stands at about 86. This flourishing club is making rapid strides to the front, and now numbers nearly two hundred members. A lease has been obtained for an additional tract of land, and an eighteen-hole course is now being laid down. A club-house is also going to be built shortly, which will contain all modern conveniences. The best scratch score on Saturday was made by Mr. F. E. M. Dixon at 90, which secured him the Cullen medal and memento, and under special handicap the captain's prize (Mr. J. Shepherd), and also a tie with Mr. A. Chisholm for the first and second handicap prizes and optional sweepstakes. Mr. F. Hermon and Mr. C. T. Dixon tied for third handicap prize and third sweepstakes. Mr. P. S. M'Culloch took the optional sweepstakes for the runner-up in the captain's prize. Below will be found the full return of play:—

| Gross. Hcp. Net.     |     |      | Gross. Hcp. Net. |                       |     |      |
|----------------------|-----|------|------------------|-----------------------|-----|------|
| Mr. F. E. M. Dixon   | 90  | 3    | 87               | Mr. E. C. Edgecombe   | 117 | 18   |
| Mr. A. Chisholm ...  | 95  | 8    | 87               | Mr. W. T. Rowley      | 114 | 14   |
| Mr. F. Hermon ...    | 92  | 2    | 90               | Mr. P. S. M'Culloch   | 108 | 7    |
| Mr. C. T. Dixon ...  | 100 | 10   | 90               | Mr. J. E. Pearson ... | 113 | 12   |
| Mr. W. F. Chadwick   | 100 | 8    | 92               | Mr. J. Ainsworth ...  | 117 | 16   |
| Mr. H. H. Hosack     | 108 | 16   | 92               | Mr. J. B. Hunter ...  | 110 | 8    |
| Mr. R. Goad ...      | 96  | 3    | 93               | Mr. J. Hornby ...     | 103 | scr. |
| Mr. R. J. Kerr ...   | 98  | 3    | 95               | Mr. F. Harrison ...   | 121 | 18   |
| Mr. T. Henderson     | 104 | 9    | 95               | Mr. J. C. Lowe ...    | 116 | 12   |
| Mr. G. R. Cox ...    | 99  | 3    | 96               | Mr. F. C. Calthrop    | 124 | 20   |
| Mr. J. E. Dean ...   | 107 | 11   | 96               | Mr. R. W. Brown ...   | 107 | 2    |
| Mr. D. Webster ...   | 107 | 11   | 96               | Mr. A. C. Knight ...  | 111 | 6    |
| Mr. E. Hewer ...     | 99  | 2    | 97               | Mr. W. Roughton ...   | 112 | 6    |
| Mr. J. Shepherd ...  | 101 | 3    | 98               | Mr. W. M. Wyld ...    | 122 | 16   |
| Mr. W. Bell ...      | 105 | 7    | 98               | Mr. G. Macdonald      | 115 | 8    |
| Mr. J. W. Fowler ... | 99  | scr. | 99               | Mr. A. M. Johnstone   | 132 | 25   |
| Mr. J. S. Beauford   | 105 | 6    | 99               | Capt. E. Feetham ...  | 137 | 20   |

Messrs. H. Allen, H. A. Bowring, A. B. Cauty, R. E. Haslam, G. A. Johnstone, F. Jones, E. C. Lowe, J. Macalister, W. Potter, G. F. Smith, H. Spalding, D. Stewart, and B. L. Tarleton made no return.

Captain's prize (under special handicap):—

| Gross. Hcp. Net.    |     |      | Gross. Hcp. Net. |                        |            |    |
|---------------------|-----|------|------------------|------------------------|------------|----|
| Mr. F. E. M. Dixon  | 90  | scr. | 90               | Mr. E. C. Edgecombe    | 117        | 15 |
| Mr. P. S. M'Culloch | 108 | 6    | 102              | Mr. G. F. Smith (scr.) | no return. |    |

ILKLEY GOLF CLUB.

The first annual meeting of the Ilkley Golf Club took place on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, and on the whole was a most successful and enjoyable meeting, in spite of the wretched weather experienced on the opening day. Friday and Saturday, however, made ample amends, the weather being perfect for Golf, and the play in consequence showed a great improvement. Mr. H. Hilton, of the Royal Liverpool, on Saturday established a record with a score of 82, and but for an unfortunate lie when approaching the seventh hole he would probably have done the round in 80. Mr. C. Broadwood also did an unexpectedly good round of 90, and but for a score of 9 at the Home hole would have run Mr. Hilton close for the open scratch event. Having a handicap of 15, he, of course, swept the decks in the open handicap. Friday evening was spent by the members at the Winter Gardens attached to the Wells House Hotel, when a successful smoking concert was held under the presidency of the captain of the Ilkley Club, the Rev. Irton Smith. Detail of play and scores below.

The opening event on Thursday was a handicap open to members of Yorkshire Golf clubs, and was won by Mr. Ben Hirst, one of the hon. secs. and treasurer of the Ilkley Club, with a gross score of 117, less 25=92. Mr. John Scott, of the Cleveland Club, being second with 103, less 10=93. The scoring on this day, in consequence of the high wind in the morning and the wind and rain in the afternoon, was very erratic.

Yorkshire handicap:—

|                               | Gross. | Hcp. | Net. |
|-------------------------------|--------|------|------|
| Mr. Benjamin Hirst, Ilkley    | 117    | 25   | 92   |
| Mr. John Scott, Cleveland     | 103    | 10   | 93   |
| Mr. R. B. Davis, Sandwich     | 115    | 18   | 97   |
| Mr. D. F. Douglas, Ilkley     | 115    | 17   | 98   |
| Mr. E. A. Wild, Collingham    | 110    | 9    | 101  |
| Mr. W. Russell, Ranelagh      | 120    | 18   | 102  |
| Mr. R. S. Backhouse, Ranelagh | 121    | 18   | 103  |
| Mr. P. N. Salmond, Ilkley     | 131    | 25   | 106  |
| Mr. H. Roberts, Cleveland     | 108    | scr. | 108  |
| Rev. Irton Smith, Ilkley ...  | 117    | 9    | 108  |
| Mr. P. N. Lee, Ilkley ...     | 121    | 13   | 108  |
| Mr. A. Potter, Ilkley ...     | 135    | 25   | 110  |
| Dr. McDowall, Ilkley ...      | 131    | 20   | 111  |
| Mr. E. R. Wild, Collingham    | 124    | 13   | 111  |

|                                    | Gross. | Hcp. | Net. |
|------------------------------------|--------|------|------|
| Mr. R. G. Scott, Ilkley ...        | 142    | 30   | 112  |
| Mr. C. D. Mackenzie, Cleveland ... | 119    | 5    | 114  |
| Mr. A. B. Wild, Collingham ...     | 129    | 15   | 114  |
| Dr. Macvie, Bradford ...           | 141    | 23   | 118  |
| Mr. C. J. L. Rayner, Ilkley ...    | 133    | 13   | 120  |
| Mr. H. W. Wild, Collingham ...     | 129    | 9    | 120  |
| Mr. A. Sampson, Ilkley ...         | 154    | 33   | 121  |
| Mr. H. Steel, Bradford ...         | 145    | 23   | 122  |
| Mr. R. Braithwaite, Ilkley ...     | 160    | 33   | 127  |
| Mr. C. Broadwood, Scarborough ...  | 147    | 18   | 129  |

No returns from fifteen others.

Friday opened more auspiciously, though the wind, blowing from the south-west across the greens, made them rather tricky. The only event down for competition was somewhat of an innovation in Golf, we believe, and consisted of a challenge bowl—a fine piece of silver work of the value of £15. This was competed for by teams of four members representing Yorkshire clubs. The club sending in the best aggregate return to be the winner and hold the bowl for one year. Four clubs entered, and the cup was won by the Cleveland team—the oldest club in the county—with a score of 436, Ilkley being second with 489, Collingham third, 491, and Bradford fourth with 529. Play on Saturday comprised events No. 3 and 4, the open scratch and open handicap. In consequence of the large number of players out and the crowds of spectators following the crack players, Messrs. Hilton and Roberts, most of the players declared with one score for both events. Mr. Hilton, as before stated, was first in the open scratch, and Mr. Broadwood first in the open handicap. Mr. W. Russell, of the Ranelagh Club, being second. Messrs. Broadwood and Russell also divided the selling sweep, which was of the value of £30. Details of scores below:—

Open Scratch:—Mr. H. H. Hilton, Royal Liverpool, 82; Mr. C. Broadwood, Scarborough, 90; Mr. W. Russell, Ranelagh, 100; Mr. E. A. Wild, Collingham, 103; Mr. J. L. Scott, Cleveland, 107; Rev. Irton Smith, Ilkley, 109; Mr. H. W. Wild, Collingham, 109; Mr. E. W. Wild, Collingham, 110; Mr. P. N. Lee, Ilkley, 112; Mr. D. F. Douglas, Ilkley, 116; Mr. H. Steele, Bradford, 117; Mr. R. S. Backhouse, Collingham, 117; Mr. A. J. C. Stanfield, Ilkley, 119; Mr. A. B. Wild, Collingham, 122. No returns from 11 others.

Open Handicap:—

|                                       | Gross. | Hcp. | Net. |
|---------------------------------------|--------|------|------|
| Mr. C. Broadwood, Scarboro' ...       | 90     | 15   | 75   |
| Mr. W. Russell, Ranelagh ...          | 100    | 18   | 82   |
| Mr. H. H. Hilton, Royal Liverpool ... | 82     | +6   | 88   |
| Mr. E. A. Wild, Collingham ...        | 103    | 9    | 94   |
| Mr. H. Steele, Bradford ...           | 117    | 23   | 94   |
| Mr. J. L. Scott, Cleveland ...        | 107    | 10   | 97   |
| Mr. E. R. Wild, Collingham ...        | 108    | 11   | 97   |
| Mr. D. F. Douglas, Ilkley ...         | 116    | 17   | 99   |
| Mr. R. S. Backhouse, Collingham ...   | 117    | 18   | 99   |
| Mr. P. N. Lee, Ilkley ...             | 112    | 13   | 99   |
| Mr. H. W. Wild, Collingham ...        | 109    | 9    | 100  |
| Rev. Irton Smith, Ilkley ...          | 109    | 9    | 100  |
| Mr. W. H. Scott, Ilkley ...           | 130    | 27   | 103  |
| Mr. A. J. C. Stanfield, Ilkley ...    | 119    | 15   | 104  |
| Mr. R. G. Scott, Ilkley ...           | 135    | 30   | 105  |
| Mr. A. Potter, Ilkley ...             | 131    | 25   | 106  |
| Mr. T. A. Carpenter, Ilkley ...       | 139    | 33   | 106  |
| Mr. A. B. Wild, Collingham ...        | 122    | 15   | 107  |
| Dr. McDowall, Ilkley ...              | 128    | 20   | 108  |
| Mr. A. Sampson, Ilkley ...            | 144    | 33   | 111  |
| Dr. Bampton, Ilkley ...               | 144    | 33   | 111  |
| Mr. E. Fletcher, Ilkley ...           | 145    | 30   | 115  |
| Mr. F. H. Burn, Ryton ...             | 150    | 33   | 117  |
| Mr. Ben Hirst, Ilkley ...             | 143    | 20   | 123  |

No returns from 16 other players.

GULLANE AUTUMN MEETING.

The popularity of Gullane and of the club there was evinced on Saturday, when as many as sixty-four members took part in the September meeting, which is the last of the club competitions for the season. The muster included many of the leading players in the club, and the competition, being on handicap lines, brought out, too, a large contingent of the rank and file of the members.

Previous to the play, the annual business meeting of the club was held in the club-house, when Mr. J. A. Robertson, C.A., was re-elected captain, and Mr. A. Murray was appointed to fill the vacancy on the committee caused by the death of Mr. John Watt.

The treasurer (Mr. T. Lugton) submitted to the meeting his annual financial statement, which showed that the year, which had opened with a credit balance of £37 17s. 4d., had closed with a balance of £19 11s. on the right side of the account.

As usual at the autumn competition, the principal prize was that presented by the captain. Mr. Robertson's prize took the form of a

very handsome claret jug, and in addition to this prize there were several provided from the club funds, and consisting of a silver-mounted horn jug and tumblers, a neat carriage-clock, and a pair of opera-glasses, together with a number of ball awards.

Fortunate in the weather attending the meeting, the members were able to enjoy to the full the round of the links which decided the competition. On the return of the last of the players to the club-house, it was found that the best actual score of the day was that of Mr. A. M. Ross, who, playing in his best "form" throughout, completed the eighteen holes in 81, made up of—Out, 5 4 3 6 4 5 4 6 6=43; in, 4 3 5 4 4 4 5 3 6=38; total 81. The next best actual score was that of Mr. T. Lugton, jun., whose 84 included a 7 for the high hole out, and a 7 for the slope hole in. The captain's prize was secured by Mr. C. Matthew with 90, less 10. The following were the bestscores:—

|                         | Gross. | Hcp. | Net. |                         | Gross. | Hcp. | Net. |
|-------------------------|--------|------|------|-------------------------|--------|------|------|
| Mr. C. Matthew ...      | 90     | 10   | 80   | Mr. J. F. Paxton ...    | 90     | 3    | 87   |
| Mr. A. M. Ross ...      | 81     | scr. | 81   | Mr. J. A. Robertson ... | 98     | 10   | 88   |
| Mr. George Dalziel ...  | 97     | 14   | 83   | Mr. T. D. Thomson ...   | 99     | 10   | 89   |
| Mr. T. Lugton ...       | 85     | 2    | 83   | Mr. James M'Kinlay ...  | 96     | 7    | 89   |
| Captain Wylie ...       | 88     | 4    | 84   | Dr. P. B. Handyside ... | 95     | 5    | 90   |
| Mr. W. T. Armour ...    | 86     | 2    | 84   | Dr. Fraser ...          | 96     | 6    | 90   |
| Mr. T. Lugton, jun. ... | 84     | scr. | 84   | Mr. A. Drybrough ...    | 100    | 10   | 90   |
| Mr. D. N. Cotton ...    | 98     | 14   | 84   | Mr. H. Parker ...       | 100    | 10   | 90   |
| Mr. B. Hall Blyth ...   | 87     | 2    | 85   | Mr. D. Brown ...        | 100    | 9    | 91   |
| Mr. H. B. Bryden ...    | 85     | scr. | 85   | Mr. F. Lockhart         |        |      |      |
| Mr. J. P. Croal ...     | 95     | 10   | 85   | Thomson ...             | 106    | 15   | 91   |
| Mr. G. G. Gregor        |        |      |      | Mr. John Dun ...        | 96     | 4    | 92   |
| M'Gregor ...            | 85     | scr. | 85   | Mr. R. M'Gowan ...      | 98     | 6    | 92   |
| Mr. John Morrison ...   | 104    | 18   | 86   | Mr. A. Murray ...       | 93     | scr. | 93   |
| Mr. T. Binnie ...       | 92     | 6    | 86   | Mr. J. Williamson ...   | 100    | 6    | 94   |
| Mr. G. G. Robertson ... | 86     | scr. | 86   | Mr. James Gillespie ... | 108    | 14   | 94   |
| Mr. G. G. Smith ...     | 86     | scr. | 86   | Mr. W. J. Croal ...     | 94     | scr. | 94   |
| Mr. W. G. Paxton ...    | 89     | 3    | 86   | Mr. H. Wakelin ...      | 104    | 10   | 94   |
| Mr. Marcus Brown ...    | 86     | scr. | 86   | Mr. J. S. Burnett ...   | 106    | 12   | 94   |

On playing off the tie for third and fourth places Mr. Dalziel beat Mr. Lugton—the former's score being 95, less 14=81; and the latter's 86, less 2=84.

LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB.

Forty-seven players faced the tee on Saturday on the links of the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club in the sixth and last competition for the silver cup presented to the club by Mr. C. W. Macara, of Manchester and St. Anne's-on-the-Sea. The day was favourable. Mr. W. Fletcher, of Manchester, made the best score of the day, 85, less 6=79. His was also the best gross score. The next best net score was by Mr. J. E. King, St. Anne's, 98, less 14=84. The first optional sweepstakes was won by Mr. W. Fletcher; the second by Mr. J. Braubury, South Shore, and the third by Mr. J. H. Hulton, Bolton. The full score was as follows:—

|                                      | Gross. | Hcp. | Net. |
|--------------------------------------|--------|------|------|
| Mr. W. Fletcher, Manchester ...      | 85     | 6    | 79   |
| Mr. J. E. King, St. Anne's ...       | 98     | 14   | 84   |
| Mr. J. Bradbury, South Shore ...     | 106    | 20   | 86   |
| Mr. J. H. Hulton, Bolton ...         | 105    | 16   | 89   |
| Mr. T. H. Miller, Singleton Park ... | 106    | 17   | 89   |
| Mr. F. C. Morgan, Manchester ...     | 97     | 5    | 92   |
| Mr. W. H. Harrison, Lytham ...       | 105    | 13   | 92   |
| Mr. H. N. Brown, St. Anne's ...      | 108    | 16   | 92   |
| Mr. F. H. Smith, Bolton ...          | 110    | 18   | 92   |
| Mr. F. Carlisle, Manchester ...      | 117    | 25   | 92   |
| Mr. W. Newbigging, St. Anne's ...    | 100    | 7    | 93   |
| Mr. J. A. Brown, St. Anne's ...      | 101    | 8    | 93   |
| Mr. J. Talbot Fair, Lytham ...       | 105    | 12   | 93   |
| Mr. B. Thompson, St. Anne's ...      | 106    | 13   | 93   |
| Mr. J. Buckley, Norbreck ...         | 109    | 15   | 94   |
| Mr. C. W. Fisher, Blackpool ...      | 109    | 15   | 94   |
| Mr. R. Lythgoe, St. Anne's ...       | 109    | 15   | 94   |
| Mr. Fred. H. Smith, Manchester ...   | 101    | 6    | 95   |
| Mr. G. Harper, Ashton, Preston ...   | 108    | 13   | 95   |
| Mr. A. Entwistle, Bolton ...         | 120    | 25   | 95   |
| Mr. R. H. Prestwich, Manchester ...  | 125    | 8    | 97   |
| Mr. A. H. Kay, Bury ...              | 115    | 18   | 97   |
| Mr. J. A. F. Eltoft, St. Anne's ...  | 111    | 13   | 98   |
| Mr. D. MacIver, Lymm ...             | 118    | 20   | 98   |
| Rev. A. T. Davidson, Scorton ...     | 117    | 18   | 99   |
| Mr. T. Baxter, St. Anne's ...        | 119    | 20   | 99   |
| Mr. F. T. Wright, Manchester ...     | 110    | 10   | 100  |
| Mr. C. A. Birley, Bartle Hall ...    | 117    | 17   | 100  |
| Mr. A. B. Scholfield, St. Anne's ... | 108    | 6    | 102  |
| Major Mumm, Liverpool ...            | 118    | 16   | 102  |
| Mr. W. Cross, St. Anne's ...         | 122    | 16   | 106  |
| Mr. H. M. Ormsby, Rossall ...        | 127    | 18   | 109  |

No returns from Messrs. E. H. Kay, Bury; N. Nugent, Sowerby; A. Darbyshire, Manchester; C. G. D. Hoare, St. Anne's; F. E. Rowe, Rossall; W. H. Hampson, South Shore; T. Fair, Lytham;



S. Fisher, South Shore; E. Redfern, St. Anne's; H. Bowman, Manchester; H. Fisher, Wrea Green; O. H. Wade, Lytham; T. C. Midwood, Manchester; Rev. G. E. Badeley, Blackpool.

The winners of the six competitions now are—May 9th: Mr. W. E. Fairlie, Chelford, 87, scr.=87; May 23rd: won again by Mr. W. E. Fairlie, 83, plus 1=84; with a tie between Mr. A. H. Doleman, South Shore, 86, less 1=85, and Mr. F. H. Smith, Bolton, 110, less 25=85 for a second place; played off and won by Mr. F. H. Smith, who will be one of the six; June 20th: Mr. J. E. Pearson, Liverpool, 96, less 15=81; July 25th: Mr. G. C. D. Hoare, St. Anne's, 96, less 12=84; August 22nd: Mr. G. F. Smith, Bolton, 91, less 3=88; September 19th: Mr. W. Fletcher, Manchester, 85, less 6=79. These six winners will play off for possession of the cup under special handicap on the first day of the autumn meeting, Saturday, October 17th.

LENZIE GOLF CLUB.

The members of the Ladies' Golf Club competed for prizes over the Lenzie links on Saturday. The weather was very fine, and there was a large and brilliant turn-out of the lady members and their friends, including members of the gentlemen's club. The competition took the form of foursomes, and the following were the winners of the prizes in their order of merit—Miss May Smith, Miss M. Roberts, Mrs. Tysons, Miss Jessie Murdoch, Mrs. Macneal, Miss Jane Ross, Miss Sissy Crawford, Mrs. R. Brown, Miss Hislop, Miss Reid, Miss Crawford. Mr. T. Forrest presented the prizes.

NORTH BERWICK.

A contest of a very attractive character took place last week, in connection with the Ladies' Club, a departure from the routine of play taking the form of a match between representative sides of ladies and gentlemen. Members, honorary members, and associates of the club were engaged, and it need hardly be observed that, with fine weather, the game was as pleasant as might be. The fair votaries of Golf were expected to give their opponents a tussle for supremacy, and it must be admitted that the result was rather disappointing, in view of the well-known skill of the ladies engaged. They were, however, very unfortunate in having to contend with a strong wind, which gave the gentlemen an advantage at the longer holes, the distance extending in one or two cases to 140 yards. The play on each side was, on the whole, excellent, the game of the ladies in the last rounds being especially creditable. The first two rounds were disastrous for them, as they lost no fewer than fifty holes over all; but that only nineteen holes were credited to the gentlemen in the final rounds would seem to predict a keen struggle on a future occasion. As showing the strong game of the gentlemen, it may be stated that amongst many fine scores were a 28 for the round of nine holes by Captain Wylie and a similar figure by Mr. Stuart Anderson. At the close of the forenoon play the game stood as follows:—

| Holes.                  |      | Holes.                      |   |
|-------------------------|------|-----------------------------|---|
| Mr. Frank Dalziel ..    | 9 v. | Miss Coventry Gillies Smith | 0 |
| Mr. W. Gibson Bloxson   | 4 v. | Miss Blanche Anderson       | 0 |
| Mr. C. L. Blaikie ...   | 1 v. | Miss Ada Gillies Smith      | 0 |
| Mr. B. Hall Blyth ...   | 7 v. | Miss Florence Anderson      | 0 |
| Mr. Edward L. J. Blyth  | 9 v. | Miss Gillies Smith          | 0 |
| Captain N. M. Wylie ... | 8 v. | Miss Ethel M'Culloch        | 0 |
| Mr. L. Stuart Anderson  | 8 v. | Miss Edith M'Culloch        | 0 |
| Mr. J. M'Culloch ...    | 2 v. | Miss Madeline Campbell      | 0 |
| Mr. George Napier ...   | 1 v. | Miss Dalziel                | 0 |
| Mr. R. H. Blaikie ...   | 1 v. | Miss T. Maude Shearer       | 0 |

The match was decided by four rounds of the green, and on the last two rounds being finished in the afternoon the result of the day's play was found to be as appended:—

| Holes.                  |       | Holes                       |   |
|-------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|---|
| Mr. Frank Dalziel ...   | 15 v. | Miss Coventry Gillies Smith | 0 |
| Mr. W. Gibson Bloxson   | 2 v.  | Miss Blanche Anderson       | 0 |
| Mr. C. L. Blaikie ...   | 3 v.  | Miss Ada Gillies Smith      | 0 |
| Mr. B. Hall Blyth ...   | 7 v.  | Miss Florence Anderson      | 0 |
| Mr. Edward L. J. Blyth  | 12 v. | Miss Gillies Smith          | 0 |
| Captain N. M. Wylie ... | 9 v.  | Miss Ethel M'Culloch        | 0 |
| Mr. L. Stuart Anderson  | 7 v.  | Miss Edith M'Culloch        | 0 |
| Mr. J. M'Culloch ...    | 7 v.  | Miss Madeline Campbell      | 0 |
| Mr. George Napier ...   | 2 v.  | Miss Dalziel...             | 0 |
| Mr. R. H. Blaikie ...   | 5 v.  | Miss T. Maude Shearer       | 0 |

Subsequent to the match a prize was offered by the ladies for competition amongst the gentlemen who had taken part, the result to be decided by strokes. The game ended as follows:—Mr. L. Stuart Anderson, 60—31 and 29; Mr. C. L. Blaikie, 82; Mr. W. Gibson Bloxson, 63; Mr. John M'Culloch, 68; Mr. G. Napier, 68; Mr. Edward L. J. Blyth, 68; Mr. B. Hall Blyth, 70; Mr. R. H. Blaikie, 72; and Captain N. M. Wylie, 73.

The members of the Watsonian (Edinburgh) Club journeyed to North Berwick on Saturday, and had an enjoyable day's Golf. The occasion was the annual autumn competition for the scratch gold medal and handicap prizes. In the forenoon the following couples drove from the tee:—Mr. A. S. Muir and Mr. A. J. G. Barclay, Mr. J. Balsillie and Mr. W. Stephen, Mr. J. King and Mr. W. Jenkins, Mr. Franklin Ross and Mr. A. T. Glegg, Mr. T. King and Mr. T. Adams, and Mr. F. Lightbody and Mr. W. W. Henderson. Four couples left in the afternoon as follows:—Mr. Oliver Thomson and Mr. J. Stevenson, Mr. H. M. Knight and Mr. James Davidson, Mr. R. T. Mitchell and Mr. George Wilson, and Mr. W. Gibson and Mr. G. A. Ross. On a return of cards it was found that the gold medal and merit prizes had fallen to Mr. Oliver Thomson with an actual of 85. The result was as appended, three couples tying for the six handicap prizes:—

| Gross. Hcp. Net.     |            | Gross. Hcp. Net.     |            |
|----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|
| Mr. O. Thomson ...   | 85 scr. 85 | Mr. J. Stevenson ... | 89 scr. 89 |
| Mr. Franklin Ross... | 87 2 85    | Mr. R. T. Mitchell   | 94 4 90    |
| Mr. G. A. Ross ...   | 87 2 85    | Mr. T. King ...      | 92 scr. 92 |
| Mr. W. Jenkins ...   | 89 3 86    | Mr. A. T. Glegg ...  | 96 4 92    |
| Mr. T. Adams ...     | 91 5 86    | Mr. A. S. Muir ...   | 102 8 94   |
| Mr. J. King ...      | 87 +2 89   | Mr. A. G. G. Barclay | 101 6 95   |

PIETERMARITZBURG (NATAL) GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition of this club was held on Saturday, August 22nd, on the "links" in the public park. The course was in fairly good condition for play, but for the danger of a water-pipe trench which had been cut in such a line as to confront the players at four points in the round. At all times rough, it is next to impossible to achieve good scoring on this course in comparison with a short nine-hole round of a home green. The scores in this competition were:—Mr. J. M. Laing (scratch), 52; Col. Curtis (10), 52; Capt. Thornton (13), 54; Mr. Bulky (scratch), 55; Mr. C. L. Redwood (18), 57; the Hon. F. S. Haden (7), 58; Capt. Colhoun (13), 58; Capt. Maul (13), 59; Dr. Moberley (scratch), 60; Mr. Ross (5), 62; Mr. T. K. Murray (15), 62; Mr. D. L. Findlay (5), 64. The tie for first place was played off on the following Monday afternoon, when victory lay with Col. Curtis, who scored 53 against his opponent's 61. The handicap allowances have been curtailed to some extent, though they are manifestly very liberal still in a competition only extending to one round of nine holes. By way of stimulating interest in play, foursome handicap competitions are being arranged to occupy the intervals between the medal days. It has to be admitted, regretfully, that only meagre interest is being shown, so far, in the game in this part of the world.

PRESTWICK ST. NICHOLAS GOLF CLUB.

The following is the result of the second round for the prize presented by Messrs. Marshall, Wane and Co.:—Mr. Jas. Andrew (3) beat Mr. And. Crawford (10) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. H. Boyd (6) beat Mr. J. Hamilton (16) by 3 up and 1 to play; Mr. R. Raeside (12) beat Mr. J. Turnbull (24) by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. And. Boon (scratch) beat Mr. W. E. Griffin (18) by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. M. Allison (14) beat Mr. J. Hamilton (12) after a tie; Mr. H. M. Giles (12) beat Mr. A. Dunbar (16); Mr. And. Muir (8) beat Mr. T. P. Oliver (20) by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. Jas. Gibson (scratch) beat Mr. W. G. Templeton (12) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. J. Tullis (8) beat Mr. R. M. Kelly (20) by 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. T. M'Laren (14) beat Mr. W. H. Griffen (16) by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. A. J. Larke (12) beat Mr. R. Pyper (16) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. J. Davidson (10) beat Mr. J. Taylor (16) by 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. W. A. Kennedy (12) beat Mr. J. Wallace (12) by 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. J. Gray (8) beat Mr. Jas. Wilson (16), absent; Mr. T. R. Bell (20) beat Mr. Allan Muir (12), absent; Mr. W. Beaton (16) beat Mr. J. B. Cowap (18), absent.

The members of Prestwick St. Nicholas Golf Club hold an extraordinary meeting to-morrow afternoon (26th inst.), to consider an important proposal. With the very large accession of members, both temporary and permanent, within the past two years, it became evident that the present links, confined to a nine-hole course, was quite inadequate to the accommodation of the increasing number of players. Some time ago the committee of management, acting on instructions from a general meeting of the members, entered into negotiations with proprietors of ground adjacent to the links with a view to the extension of the present nine-hole course to one of eighteen holes. Simultaneously, however, the committee prospected farther afield, with the object, if need were, of securing ground for a new Golf course. In their negotiations in the matter of extending the present links the committee met with unexpected difficulties, with the result that they thereupon turned their exclusive attention to the procuring the necessary ground in a new locality. In this they have so far been successful, and it is to consider a report by Mr. A. J. Larke (captain of the club) and Mr. David Ferguson (vice-captain) in favour of a new Golf course that the meeting of to-morrow is called. It may be stated generally that the ground on which it is proposed to lay out the new course (necessarily of eighteen holes) lies along the sea-shore on the west,

and the Glasgow and South-Western Railway on the east. It is of considerable width, and is almost exactly a mile long. It is bounded on the north by the road that runs from nearly opposite the present club-house to the sea-shore, and on the south by the Bell Rock Quarry Road from Prestwick Road to the sea, and about half the area of the ground is within the burgh of Ayr. A prospective course has been laid out, extending to 4,500 yards, which shows the ground to be in every way well adapted for purposes of Golf. A part near the north end will need to be cleared of whins, and other parts protected from blown sand, but otherwise the ground is ready for the golfer, and in most cases the areas for putting-greens will require only to be cut. The proposal is an important one in the history of the club, but it is warranted not only on account of the necessity for more elbow room, but in consideration of the highly satisfactory financial position of the club.

### PROFESSIONAL TOURNAMENT AT BRIGHTON.

#### OPENING OF NEW COURSE.

The Brighton and Hove Golf Club signalled the extension of their course from a nine to an eighteen-hole one by a professional tournament, which took place on Thursday and Friday of last week. Some of the best known professionals entered the lists, and the play, taken all round, was fine; while in individual cases, and in two or three of the matches, especially the final, the form and style displayed were such as can hardly be seen outside an open championship competition. The Brighton Club has been in existence some three years, commencing operations with a nine-hole course, laid out on the breezy eminence near the Devil's Dyke, known as Hangleton Downs, a few miles inland, but commanding an extensive "view of the changing sea," of some parts of Brighton on one hand, and of Portslade and Shoreham on the other. The links have all the variety of feature which entitle them to the description of picturesque. The course for the most part traverses the west brow and crown of the ridge, going up a slope here, being on the level there, and further on leading down a slope. Natural hazards are fairly numerous in the shape of gorse and occasional long grass; deep cart-wheel ruts intersect the route at several points; and as an encouragement to straight driving, and a terror to "heelers," the line of play at various parts lies either alongside or across nooks of cultivated land, which for Golfers is "no man's land," being "out of bounds," and entailing the penalty either of a stroke and distance or dropping and losing two. Again, that natural feature common to the Sussex Downs, and known as the "Punchbowl," apparently as accurately formed as to circumference, slope, and base, as the artificial vessel from which it derives its designation, occurs at three or four points. One of them has been utilised as a green, and affords the opportunity for a pretty approach. The three last holes present features essentially different from the rest of the course. The eastern side of the links is bounded by a deep valley, which is approached in the course of the play by an almost precipitous descent. The sixteenth hole is distant from the tee about 360 yards, and yet, exaggerated as the statement may seem, the green is almost regularly reached and sometimes passed by the members of the club with the drive. The explanation obviously is that, if the ball clears the long stretch of whins facing the tee and the deep cart-ruts on the brow of the declivity, it will with the impetus it has gained roll rapidly down towards the green, which lies in the middle of a limited level at the base. The hole is frequently got in three, and Tom Dunn on Thursday only just missed it in two. To those golfers interested in the question of the length of drives (which has from time to time been discussed in our columns), and who may be jocularly disposed, the circumstance that a drive of 360 yards is of common occurrence may be productive of some amusement and perhaps of profit at the expense of the uninitiated. *Verbi sap.* The seventeenth hole is the longest of the series, being 480 yards, requiring two full drives and a full iron or cleek shot. The tee is faced by a dense and far-reaching whin hazard, which, if not cleared, involves not only a lost ball, but usually also a lost hole. The final green is in front of the pavilion and can be reached in a drive, sheer up a precipitous ascent, and a three-quarter iron shot. At certain points where the course is rather open, artificial hazards composed of whin hurdles, are erected facing the greens, entailing the necessity of careful approach play. These is but one water hazard—at least, that was the case last week—and lying as it does at the bottom of one of the punchbowls before mentioned, it can only be regarded as forming an element of a rather risky bunker. But the great feature of the links is the uncommonly fine springy turf which is to be found throughout. Bad lies are rare, if the course be fairly closely followed and known obstacles avoided. The old greens are models of what good Golf greens should be, the herbage being close and compact, without a vestige of the soil being visible. The new nine holes, though it is barely two months since they were formed, will in a very short time rival their elder brethren in point of excellence. One glance suffices to convince that the green-keepers certainly know their business. The characteristics of the greens vary considerably, and present opportunities for putting on the slope as well as on the level. In two cases they are quite out of the ordinary run.

One is the ninth, which is formed in an undulating irregular hollow, and has to be approached with care. The other is the thirteenth, for which one of the punchbowls has been utilised. It is surrounded by a low ridge, and requires cautious approach-play to negotiate. Altogether the course is one of which any club may be proud, and there is a consensus, not only of experienced amateur opinion, but of that of the nine professionals who played over it last week, that it is the finest inland links they know. Its conditions are such as to involve the use of almost every sort of club; in some parts it presents highly sporting features, and it is interesting throughout.

The new greens begin with what is now the fourth. It can be easily reached with a full cleek shot, but the line must be accurate, as a long bank of gorse intervenes, and a smaller one guards the further side, while the edge of a rather steep bank is its left border. The next is the seventh. The tee is below the bank on which the sixth green is laid out, and is about 180 yards distant from the hole. The course is almost clear, and can be covered with a full drive. The succeeding seven are all new greens. The eighth is over 200 yards, and is guarded by dense gorse and strong grass. Another green is in course of preparation in an adjoining hollow or punchbowl. The ninth is regarded as the most sporting of the course. The distance is about 350 yards, requiring two full drives. It is on a slope downwards and is amply furnished with hazards, including a cornfield on the right, deep cart-wheel ruts for the approach, and rough ground and long grass on the left and the rear. It is made in an irregular hollow, and, if extended on the near side, should afford very interesting opportunities for out-of-the-ordinary putting. The route to the tenth green is up the slope, obliquely to the left. The distance is about 200 yards, and a good drive is necessary in order to avoid ruts and some patches of long grass. The eleventh is an ordinarily fair drive, being about 180. As there is here and at the previous tee usually a following wind, the green is commonly reached with the drive, and occasionally overdriven. The twelfth has a range of some 250 yards, and requires a clear and well-calculated drive in order to avoid a considerable stretch of long grass in front of the tee, and thick gorse bushes about 150 yards up to the right and left of the approach. The thirteenth green is that alluded to above, as being situated in the Punchbowl. It is a very interesting one, though there is little in the way of hazard. A strong and straight drive is necessary to escape some little patches of gorse which intervene, and the approach requires considerable care. The course to the fourteenth and the last of the new greens is quite open, and, except for an indifferent rut or two, it presents practically nothing in the way of hazard.

For the tournament nine professionals entered, and the draw resulted thus:—A. Alexander (Littlestone), R. Hunter (Ashdown), and C. Ramage (local)—a bye; D. Pinkerton (Guildford) v. Gibson (Westward Ho!); P. Paxton (Eastbourne), R. Jones (Littlehampton), Tom Dunn (Tooting Bec), and Douglas Rolland (Limpsfield)—a bye. Play commenced at eleven o'clock, on Thursday, when Gibson and Pinkerton went forth to try conclusions, with Mr. Arthur Denman as umpire. There was a high "south-wester," which as the day advanced became practically a gale. Both got well off, Gibson's being a splendid drive. The two first holes fell to him with 5 and 4 respectively, the second being very good play. The third and fourth fell to Pinkerton with 4 for each. Both had beautiful clean cleek drives on to the fourth green, the first of the new ones. Pinkerton likewise secured the fifth hole, with 5 to Gibson's 6, making him 1 up. The sixth was halved in 5, rather an indifferent result after good drives just to the left of the artificial hazard. Gibson, however, secured the seventh, which is the second new hole, the other seven being in direct succession. He had a splendid drive, and holed out in 4 to Pinkerton's 5, thus equalising the position. The drives to the next hole were wide on each side. Pinkerton, however, had a fine full iron for his second, which enabled him to take the hole in 5 against Gibson's 7, and placed him 1 up. Going to the ninth hole, Gibson fooled his second, and sent his third into the cornfield to the right of the green. Choosing to lose a stroke and distance, he dropped another ball; but though he made a creditable attempt to recover the defect, his opponent had played carefully, and holed out in 6 against his 8. The effect of the high wind, which was dead against the line of play, was notably felt going to this hole, and probably accounted for Gibson's misadventure with his third shot. Pinkerton went out in 45, and Gibson in 49, the former being 2 up at the turn. The tenth hole was halved in 5 without incident, and Pinkerton took the eleventh, after a pretty close hole-high drive in 3 against Gibson's 4, being thus 3 up. Going to the twelfth, Gibson again got into difficulties, sending his second into the gorse guarding the approach to the green. He took 7 to hole out, against Pinkerton's 4, leaving the latter 4 up. The thirteenth, or Punchbowl hole, was taken by Pinkerton in 4 against his opponent's 5, and the former thus stood dormy. The fourteenth also fell to him for 4, one stroke less than Gibson took. The match was thus won by Pinkerton by 6 up and 4 to play.

There was no particularly notable feature in the match, in which, however, good all-round play was exhibited. Gibson's falling off may be attributed to some extent to nervousness.

For the second heat, which was played off in the afternoon, the draw was:—Alexander v. Hunter, Ramage v. Pinkerton, Paxton v. Jones, and Dunn v. Rolland. The principal interest centred in the match between the Tooting Bec and Limsfield professionals, and the great bulk of the spectators followed them round. Rolland holds the foremost position as a consistent long driver, as well as having a good reputation as an all-round player. Dunn, while he drives a fairly long ball, is most noted for the general neatness of his style, his pretty, well judged approach play, and his effectiveness on the putting-green. But it should be mentioned that both contestants suffered much from the high south-west wind, particularly in the latter part of the way out. Dunn drew first blood, securing the initial hole in 4 against Rolland's 5. In going to the second, Dunn with his second failed to surmount the bank on the top of which the green is placed, while Rolland, with a magnificent iron shot, landed his ball on the green. Dunn with his third overshot the green, and the hole was taken by Rolland in 4 against his opponent's 6, matters being thus equalised. In going for the third, both players were too strong with the second shot. Rolland had, however, a pretty approach for his third, while Dunn's was too strong. Rolland holed out in 4, his opponent taking one more, and the match stood 1 up. For the fourth hole, a full cleek drive, both made pretty shots, landing on the green in an almost equally favourable position, involving, however, longish putts. Rolland missed a short putt with his third, while Dunn, who lay about the same distance off, holed out in 3, making matters even. In going to the fifth hole, Rolland made a capital approach with his second, landing almost dead, Dunn taking one more to reach the green. Rolland, however, missed an easy putt, and the hole was halved in 4. At the next hole, the sixth, a capital illustration was given of Rolland's powerful driving. Between the tee and the green the space is principally occupied by the corner of a cultivated field, which is "out of bounds," and on the other side of that there is a rather steep bank intervening, with some ruts at its base. The distance from point to point is 210 yards. With his drive Rolland carried beyond the hole, and the ball ran at least fifteen yards on the further side of the green. Dunn, whose drive landed well up, but with the artificial hazard intervening, had a pretty approach, followed by a splendid putt of at least four yards, by which he secured the hole in 3, against Rolland's 4, being thus 1 up. The seventh, a short hole, was halved in 4, which included a beautiful approach shot by Dunn. The two succeeding holes were halved in 5 and 6 respectively, Dunn being 1 up at the turn. He achieved the tenth green with his drive, while Rolland, using the cleek, fozzled his drive, playing, however, a splendid iron shot for his second. Dunn holed in 3, and stood 2 up. He took the eleventh in 4, having a longish drive with a following wind, while Rolland, who, again using the cleek, once more fozzled his drive, required 6 to get out. It is but fair to him to state that the cleek he had with him was one to which he had not been accustomed; though, on the other hand, it must be said it is the duty of all golfers to look to their implements before they set out on their round. Dunn was thus 3 up. The twelfth hole was halved in 5, Rolland's magnificent iron shot (second) landing him close to the green, and counteracting an indifferent drive to the edge of a gorse hazard. On the thirteenth green, which was approached with pretty equal play, Dunn made the first departure from his hitherto careful, steady play. With a putt of not more than a foot to halve the hole, he failed to put the ball down, and the hole was secured by Rolland in 5, the match being now 2 up in favour of Dunn. The fourteenth, the last of the new holes, was halved in 4, and, in going to the fifteenth, Rolland with his second drove into the artificial gorse hazard facing the green. Dunn, however, again missed a short putt of some eighteen inches, and Rolland was able to halve the hole in 6. In both the short putting misses of Dunn's the balls were on the hang, a position requiring nice treatment. Rolland overdrove the sixteenth green at the base of the eastern precipitous slope, and Dunn just got on the near edge of the green. He had a long putt, which he very nearly achieved. Rolland's second left him a pretty long putt, which he missed, and Dunn, holing out in 3, won the match by 3 up and 2 to play. The bye resulted in a tie, Dunn winning the long seventeenth hole in 5 against 7, and Rolland securing the Home hole in a capital 3, including one of the longest putts of the tournament, over twelve yards, against Dunn's 4. Dunn's score was 80, 40 out and 40 in, and Rolland's 84—40 out and 44 in.

To n Dunn's score, which was the lowest for the day, was as follows:—

|     |     |     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |      |
|-----|-----|-----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|------|------|
| Out | ... | ... | 4 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6=40 | } 80 |
| In  | ... | ... | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 4=40 |      |

The match between Alexander and Hunter proved rather one-sided. The Littlestone professional led off with two wins, which were, however, neutralised by his opponent's success at the succeeding two in 3 each. Alexander secured the next four, but, playing too strong at the ninth, he lost, and stood 3 up at the turn. He won the tenth and eleventh in 3 each, halved the twelfth; the thirteenth he lost in 7, the crowd following Dunn and Rolland putting him off his line; the fourteenth he halved, making him dormy. He took the fifteenth in 5, and won the match 5 up and 3 to play.

The closest match of the day was undoubtedly that of Paxton against Jones. The latter was the only English professional in the tournament. He is a youth only nineteen years old, who acquired the game as a caddie at Bembridge, and he led the experienced professional such a dance as is rarely met with, and which to outsiders seemed perfectly inexplicable. In going out, Jones played a magnificent game, having the lowest score at the ninth hole for the day—viz., 39—in addition to being 3 up. He broke down, however, coming home, losing his advantage at the turn, though managing to keep matters level up to the penultimate hole. The last hole was secured by Paxton in 4 by very fine play, notwithstanding an unfortunate drive.

Ramage, in his match against Pinkerton, played a very fine game. He ran away with the first three holes, but lost the fourth to very good play on Pinkerton's part. The fifth he won, halved the sixth and seventh, and cleverly won the eighth, halving the ninth. Coming home, he ran clean away, his opponent not getting a single hole, and the match was over at the fourteenth hole, 6 up and 4 to play. Ramage's score was the second best of the day, and was as follows:—

|     |     |     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |      |
|-----|-----|-----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|------|------|
| Out | ... | ... | 5 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 6=41 | } 82 |
| In  | ... | ... | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 5=41 |      |

On Friday morning the weather was anything but promising. A good deal of rain had fallen over night, and an ominous procession of heavy black clouds was being driven across the sky before a strong south-west wind. A downpour, which lasted almost without intermission, began just before the start was made in the third heat, the two couples being Alexander v. Ramage and Dunn v. Paxton. As on the previous day Tom Dunn, who seemed to be the general fancy, and whose style and form had elicited general admiration, attracted, together with the redoubtable Paxton, the greatest following round the course. The match between these two noted golfers was in almost every respect an exhibition of perfect Golf, and those who braved the blustering elements to witness it were well repaid for the discomfort of a trudge of three miles for the most part under a drenching rain and a gale of wind. The first green was reached by Dunn in 3, and he holed out in 5, against Paxton's 6. The second was halved in 5. The play for the third hole was characterised by a beautiful approach by Dunn with his second. He holed out in 3, Paxton 4 and 2 down. The fourth hole was halved in 4 without incident. Going to the fifth hole, which is rather a long one, both players got into difficulties with the drive. Paxton had to lift out of the gorse hazard. The hole was halved in 6. Dunn had here a very fine putt of quite ten yards, but the ball, after circling the edge of the hole, rolled a few inches away. The play for the sixth hole, which was halved in four, was remarkable for a very pretty lofting putt by Dunn, who, when stymied on a level green, and having but that alternative for the half, deftly raised his ball over Paxton's and holed. The rain now began to come down more heavily, and the wind increased in vigour. The players were exposed to the full force of the two, the direction of the course being mostly right in their teeth. Dunn fozzled his drive for the seventh hole, the club, an iron, slipping in his hands in consequence of the leather grip having got wet. He took 3 to get on the green, while Paxton, who had an excellent drive, was up in 2, and holed out in 4, against 5 for his opponent, who then stood only 1 up. Going to the eighth hole a heavy sea fog was encountered drifting along before the wind. Paxton, however, had a magnificent drive, and landing on the green in 2 took the hole in 4, against 5 for Dunn, who had a bad lie after the drive, from which, however, he very cleverly extricated himself. Paxton's success made the match so far "all even." Both had wide drives on opposite sides for the ninth green. Paxton, however, gained a good position on the green in 3 and holed in 4. Dunn's third placed him in a hanging position on the right edge of the green, and he required 3 more to hole out. Paxton's total coming out was 41, Dunn's 43—very good scores considering the character of the weather—and Paxton was 1 up at the turn. The next hole was secured by Paxton, and the following one by Dunn, who gained the green in 2 with a very neat approach. The notable feature of the play to the twelfth green, rather a long one, was Paxton's second, a full iron drive, clearing a long stretch of gorse, and landing the ball about two yards from the hole, which was taken by Paxton in 4 to Dunn's 5, the former being again 2 up. In driving to the Punchbowl, Paxton's ball went out of bounds, losing him the hole, which Dunn gained in 5 against the other's 6. Paxton was unfortunate in the lie after his drive to the fourteenth hole, but he might have halved it had he not failed in an apparently easy putt. Dunn holed in 4, and the parties were again even. The fifteenth hole was halved in 5, as were the sixteenth and seventeenth, after ding-dong side-by-side play. Both got well up the hill for the last hole, but Dunn, taking his driving-iron for his second, unfortunately heeled his ball into a batch of gorse and long grass. Using more force than was necessary to get out of the hazard, he went beyond the green. Up to the development of the Tooting professional's second stroke there was a pretty general expectation of a win for him, or, at any rate, a tie, and a good deal of excitement was manifested; but, as Paxton was on the green in 2, his victory was assured, though he putted rather

loosely, taking 5 to hole out against Dunn's 7, thus winning the match by 1 up. Paxton undoubtedly played a fine as well as a plucky game. The weather during the round was what is commonly described as "beastly," and must have tried the grit of both players. That much will be evident from the statement of their scores. Paxton took 86 to go round (41 and 45), and Dunn 88 (43 and 45), or eight more than on the previous day.

In the match between Ramage and Alexander in the third heat, the local professional made an unfavourable start. Alexander won the first three holes, but Ramage secured the fourth with a capital 3. The next two he lost to excellent play by his opponent, who took them each in 4. Ramage gained the eighth with a clever 5, but failed at the ninth against an admirably played 4 by Alexander, who was 3 up at the turn. Coming in Alexander gained the tenth and eleventh with 4 and 3 respectively, being thus 5 up. Ramage took the twelfth hole in 5, his opponent having missed his tee-shot. Driving into the gorse hazard on the way to the thirteenth, Ramage failed to get out with his second stroke, and gave up the hole. With a clever 3 he secured the fourteenth, leaving Alexander dorny, and the Littlestone professional obtaining the fifteenth with a fair 5, won the match by 5 up and 3 to play. His score was 84-43 out and 41 in. Some of the lowest figures were obtained both by Alexander and Ramage in a gale of wind and rain.

The final heat between Paxton and Alexander was begun at two o'clock. The wind had moderated very considerably, and the rain had practically ceased, so that the deciding contest was carried on in more favourable circumstances than any match of the tournament. The play was throughout the round of a highly interesting kind, and, generally speaking, a display of almost perfect Golf was presented by two remarkably well matched exponents of the game. The match was a ding-dong one, the two opponents played very closely together, winning holes alternately, or halving a number in succession. Paxton took the first in 5 against 6; Alexander the second in 4 against 5; the third was halved in 4; the fourth was won by Alexander in 3, Paxton giving it up, having driven into the gorse; the fifth was halved in 4; the sixth taken by Paxton in 4 against 5; the seventh halved in 4; the eighth was gained by Alexander in 4 against 5, and the ninth was halved in 5, leaving Alexander 1 up at the turn. The tenth hole was halved in 4; the eleventh was won by Paxton in 3 against 4; and the twelfth in 5 against 7, Alexander being thus 1 down; the thirteenth was halved in 4; the fourteenth was taken by Alexander in 3 against 4; and the fifteenth by 4 against 5, Paxton being thus 1 down; the sixteenth was divided in 3, and the seventeenth was taken by Paxton with 5 against 6, thus again equalising the position. The excitement among the spectators, of whom there was a considerable number, was intense as the tee shots were driven off for the Home hole, and breathless silence prevailed as the final putts were being made. Alexander had a longish putt of three yards to make for the half. It was by no means a certainty, but he managed it, and the hole was halved in 4, the match resulting in a tie. The condition was that the tie should be decided by the winning of the first hole, and a start was at once made to arrive at a settlement. Much to the amusement of the crowd the first hole was halved in 5. The second hole was, however, taken by Paxton with a pretty and nicely calculated downhill putt, and he was declared the winner of the first prize amid cries of "Bravo, Peter." Both Paxton and Alexander made several fine long iron approaches, and some splendid long putts. The Littlestone professional, who hails from St. Andrews, has a peculiar style in his full swing. It is not a jerk, but rather a momentary pause or poise of the club in the upward motion. Paxton, on the other hand, has a quick but easy unchecked swing, and like his runner-up is a powerful driver. He was the subject of our "Eminent Golfer" sketch last week, and curiously enough the hope was expressed in that article that his name might again be seen in future competitions, and at the very time it was issuing from the press, Paxton was vigorously engaged in as exciting a contest as he has ever entered upon. He certainly exerted himself bravely and skilfully, and thoroughly deserves the honour and prize which he achieved. Paxton's score in the final heat was 36 for eight holes going out, one hole having been given up, and coming home it was 37. Alexander took 39 each way, or 78 in all, the lowest score registered in the tournament. The details are:—

Out ... .. 6 4 4 3 4 5 4 4 5=39 } 78  
In ... .. 4 4 7 4 3 4 3 6 4=39 }

Four money prizes were provided, which were taken as follows:—1, P. Paxton, £10; 2, A. Alexander, £5; 3, T. Dunn, £2; 4, C. Ramage, £2.

The club also provided three prizes for a scoring competition among the seven who failed to secure the leading places in the tournament. The first, of £4, was taken by Douglas Rolland with 80; the second, of £3, by Tom Dunn, with 85; and the third, of £3, was divided by D. Pinkerton and C. Ramage, who scored 89 each. C. Gibson made 90, R. Hunter 95, and R. Jones retired.

Those who have any experience of meetings of this kind are well aware of the great amount of work and anxiety they entail upon the

committee and officials of a club. That much work and trouble had been undertaken and accomplished in this case was obvious. The event passed off without a hitch or any incident at all calculated to disturb the good feeling which prevailed at its start, and that could not have been the case had not the necessary arrangements been well thought out and carefully drawn up by gentlemen who knew their business. On Mr. H. E. Acklom, the honorary secretary, Major Marriott, his colleague, and Mr. H. J. Percival, fell the greatest burden of the work, but they were ably and assiduously assisted on the two days of the tournament by Mr. Walter Carr (the captain of the club), Mr. Arthur Denman, Mr. C. O. Walker, and Captain Pearson, in discharging the important functions of umpires and scorers.

The tournament, notwithstanding the rough weather on Friday, was an unqualified success. The Brighton and Hove Club set out on the project with the desire to do it well, and well and handsomely they did it.

REDHILL AND REIGATE GOLF CLUB

The monthly competition for the Turner medal was carried through on the 19th inst., the bad weather greatly reducing the usual number of starters. Result:—

| Gross. Hcp. Net. |     |    | Gross. Hcp. Net. |                  |     |      |    |
|------------------|-----|----|------------------|------------------|-----|------|----|
| Mr. H. D. Tucker | 102 | 27 | 75               | Mr. J. C. Tucker | 114 | 22   | 92 |
| Mr. A. J. Eames  | 84  | 7  | 77               | Mr. A. Schacht   | 93  | scr. | 93 |
| Mr. L. Horner    | 94  | 8  | 86               | Mr. W. B. Avery  | 112 | 16   | 96 |
| Mr. E. Pinkerton | 102 | 13 | 89               |                  |     |      |    |

ROYAL JERSEY GOLF CLUB.

Saturday, September 12th, Colonel Mackenzie's prize:—

| Gross. Hcp. Net.    |     |    | Gross. Hcp. Net. |                       |     |    |    |
|---------------------|-----|----|------------------|-----------------------|-----|----|----|
| Mr. M. Nixon        | 97  | 15 | 82               | Mr. C. A. Teape       | 95  | 3  | 92 |
| Mr. A. C. Salmonson | 99  | 15 | 84               | Major-Gen. Renton     | 107 | 14 | 93 |
| Capt. Robin         | 89  | 4  | 85               | Lieut.-Col. Stevenson | 110 | 17 | 93 |
| Mr. D. Turnbull     | 101 | 16 | 85               | Mr. R. R. Renton      | 113 | 18 | 95 |
| Capt. Fairlie       | 96  | 9  | 87               | Mr. W. H. Monckton    | 115 | 18 | 97 |
| Col. Mackenzie      | 92  | 3  | 89               | Mr. E. J. Edwardes    | 115 | 18 | 97 |
| Mr. H. Spencer      | 94  | 4  | 90               | Capt. Lewis           | 111 | 13 | 98 |
| Mr. G. Hornby       | 94  | 2  | 92               |                       |     |    |    |

Major Scott and Mr. F. P. Taylor made no returns.

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.

In a small field of seventeen competitors, the eleventh competition for the silver salver, and the twenty-fifth competition for the old club cup took place on Saturday in perfect golfing weather. The old putting-greens were in very good order, and the new ones were improving as quickly as possible, and low scores were, therefore, naturally to be expected. The winner certainly succeeded in making the lowest score that has been recorded in a members' competition, owing to the practice which we understand he has had lately during a holiday tour at St. Andrews, North Berwick, and other greens. This being the third occasion on which the hon. secretary has led these competitions the above trophies are now his absolute property, and the win was therefore very popular. The detailed score of Mr. C. Cooper was:—

Out ... .. 6 6 5 4 6 5 4 4 8=48 } 88  
In ... .. 4 3 6 4 6 4 4 5 4=40 }

which clearly shows that the new course is not so difficult, hole for hole, as the old one.

| Gross. Hcp. Net.   |     |    | Gross. Hcp. Net. |                        |     |    |     |
|--------------------|-----|----|------------------|------------------------|-----|----|-----|
| Mr. Chas. Cooper   | 88  | 8  | 80               | Mr. C. O. Trechmann    | 116 | 25 | 91  |
| Mr. J. W. Marshall | 107 | 25 | 82               | Mr. O. K. Trechmann    | 100 | 9  | 91  |
| Rev. W. Wickwar    | 109 | 25 | 84               | Mr. F. W. Purvis       | 106 | 4  | 92  |
| Mr. S. Walker      | 94  | 6  | 88               | Mr. H. Simpson         | 95  | 13 | 92  |
| Mr. E. W. Walker   | 114 | 25 | 89               | Mr. W. S. Merryweather | 120 | 19 | 101 |
| Mr. J. Bowman      | 114 | 25 | 89               |                        |     |    |     |
| Mr. P. B. Kent     | 102 | 12 | 90               |                        |     |    |     |

Messrs. P. A. Raps, C. J. Bunting, F. H. Pyman and R. E. Leach made no returns.

SOUTHPORT GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition, Saturday, September 12th:—

| Gross. Hcp. Net.    |     |    | Gross. Hcp. Net. |                    |     |    |     |
|---------------------|-----|----|------------------|--------------------|-----|----|-----|
| Mr. T. Aitken       | 104 | 18 | 86               | Mr. W. M. Wylde    | 106 | 16 | 90  |
| Mr. R. A. Nicholson | 95  | 8  | 87               | Mr. W. E. Buckley  | 107 | 16 | 91  |
| Mr. R. H. Brown     | 109 | 20 | 89               | Mr. W. E. Bland    | 112 | 16 | 96  |
| Mr. J. Morison      | 99  | 10 | 89               | Mr. N. Sidebottom  | 108 | 12 | 96  |
| Mr. W. T. Rowley    | 104 | 14 | 90               | Mr. T. C. Chinning | 126 | 20 | 106 |

Several members made no return.

PARKSIDE GOLF CLUB.—This club held their first prize competition over the Braids on Saturday. The following are the prize-winners:—1st, Mr. Croll, 96; tie for 2nd and 3rd places between Messrs. Pryce and Smith with 101 each.

ST. ANDREWS.

A RECORD SCORE.—In a match with Mr. Arthur N. Stewart, on the 17th inst., Mr. Ernest Blackwell succeeded in obtaining the amateur record for St. Andrews. The figure has hitherto stood at 77, the honour belonging to Mr. F. G. Tait. Mr. Blackwell has now come to the front with 76, made up as follows:—

|     |     |     |     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |      |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|------|------|
| Out | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 3    | 4=37 |
| In  | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4=39 | 76   |

The professional record stands at 73, in the name of Hugh Kirkaldy, whilst Mr. Macfie has the best amateur score in competition at 78.

Another notable feat has been forthcoming this week at St. Andrews, viz., holing the short hole in one. This was accomplished on Thursday by Mr. Lucas, London. It is presumed that the usual penalty was cheerfully paid.

ST. ANDREWS LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Judging from the number of players, the annual tournament of the St. Andrews Ladies' Golf Club is one of the most popular of fixtures. Last year eighty-nine ladies engaged in the competition; this year the figure was eighty-eight. The start should have been made at eleven a.m. on Wednesday, but the morning was exceedingly wet, and play was postponed until the afternoon. The first day's play was chiefly notable for the number of ties. In all seven rounds were played for a decision, the final being played on Thursday evening between Miss Moir and Miss Gilliat. Last year Miss Moir was thrown out in the third round by Miss H. Stewart, but, on the present occasion, she exhibited better form, and took first place. Her opponent, Miss Gilliat, who got the second prize, played last year in the semi-final, but did not get into the prize list. The following are the details of the several rounds:—

First Round.—Miss E. Montgomery beat Miss M. Smith, absent; Mrs. Bethune beat Miss Houston by 3 and 2 to play; Miss A. Wayne beat Miss Griffiths by 4 and 3 to play; Miss J. K. Stewart beat Miss Rice by 5 and 4 to play; Miss L. N. Stewart beat Miss Johnston by 4 and 2 to play; Miss H. M. Stewart beat Mrs. Scratton, absent; Miss Lamb beat Miss E. Griffiths by 3 and 2 to play; Miss Bethune beat Mrs. Henderson by 1; Mrs. W. H. Burn beat Miss Hunter after a tie; Miss L. C. Bethune beat Miss Fanny Hodge, absent; Miss Mercer beat Mrs. Tait after a tie; Mrs. Boothby beat Mrs. G. Moir by 1; Miss E. Marjoribanks beat Miss Huby, absent; Mrs. Wolfe Murray beat Mrs. Gray by 2 and 1 to play; Mrs. James Boyd beat Mrs. Fernie by 4 and 2 to play; Miss A. M. Stewart beat Miss M. A. Montgomery after a tie; Miss Grainger beat Mrs. Best by 3 and 1 to play; Mrs. Fleming beat Miss E. Glassford by 4 and 2 to play; Miss M. Cresswell beat Miss J. J. Brown by 3 and 1 to play; Miss J. Aitken beat Miss A. Crosse after a tie; Miss Boyd beat Miss Dunn by 5 and 4 to play; Miss Murray Honey beat Miss Montgomery by 1; Miss J. M. Chiene beat Miss Brown by 1; Miss Henderson beat Miss M. Glassford by 5 and 4 to play.

Second Round.—Mrs. Bethune beat Miss E. Montgomery by 3 and 2 to play; Miss J. K. Stewart beat Miss A. Wayne by 4 and 3 to play; Miss H. M. Stewart beat Miss L. N. Stewart by 6 and 5 to play; Miss Bethune beat Mrs. Lamb after a tie; Mrs. W. H. Burn beat Miss L. C. Bethune by 2; Mrs. Boothby beat Miss Mercer by 8 and 7 to play; Miss E. Marjoribanks beat Mrs. Wolfe Murray after a tie; Miss Ann Stewart beat Mrs. James Boyd by 4 and 2 to play; Mrs. Fleming beat Miss Grainger by 3 and 2 to play; Miss Cresswell beat Miss J. Aitken by 6 and 5 to play; Miss Murray Honey beat Miss Boyd by 2 and 1 to play; Miss Henderson beat Miss J. M. Chiene by 4 and 3 to play; Miss Scott beat Miss Balfour by 3 and 2 to play; Miss Gilliat beat Miss Johnston by 2 and 1 to play; Miss E. E. Moir beat Miss Hindmarsh, absent; Miss MacGrigor beat Mrs. Younger by 2; Miss Dalmahoy beat Miss L. Rice after a tie; Miss J. J. Boyd beat Miss Falconer by 6 and 5 to play; Mrs. Kerr beat Mrs. Macneil after a tie; Miss Newall beat Miss C. M. Browne (absent); Miss Morgan beat Miss Hargreaves by 3 and 1 to play; Miss Moir beat Miss M. Hindmarsh by 5 and 4 to play; Miss Wayne beat Miss F. Rice by 5 and 4 to play; Miss A. Moir beat Miss Potter by 6 and 4 to play; Miss J. M. Bethune beat Mrs. Salvesen after a tie; Miss M. F. Newall beat Miss Tarver by 2 and 1 to play; Miss Bruce Johnston beat Miss J. Macneil by 5 and 4 to play; Mrs. Everard beat Mrs. Gilroy by 5 and 4 to play; Miss B. D. Chiene beat Miss Best by 4 and 2 to play; Mrs. John Robertson beat Mrs. Collyer after a tie; Miss A. Grainger beat Mrs. Chambers (absent); Miss Burn Murdoch beat Miss H. M. Brown by 2 and 1 to play.

Third Round.—Miss J. K. Stewart beat Mrs. Bethune by 1; Miss Bethune beat Miss H. M. Stewart by 4 and 3 to play; Mrs. W. H. Burn beat Mrs. Boothby by 1; Miss Stewart beat Miss Marjoribanks by 4 and 3 to play; Mrs. Fleming beat Miss Cresswell by 2 and 1 to play; Miss Murray Honey beat Miss Henderson by 8 and 7 to play; Miss Gilliat beat Miss Scott by 4 and 3 to play; Miss E. Moir beat Mrs. McGregor by 4 and 3 to play; Miss Dalmahoy beat Miss J. J. Boyd by 4 and 3 to play; Miss Kerr beat Miss Newall by 2 and 1 to play; Miss Moir beat Miss Morgan by 6 and 5 to play; Miss A. Moir

beat Miss Wayne by 3 and 2 to play; Miss J. M. Bethune beat Miss M. F. Newall by 6 and 5 to play; Miss Bruce Johnston beat Mrs. Everard by 2 and 1 to play; Miss B. D. Chiene beat Mrs. J. Robertson, absent; Miss A. Grainger beat Miss Burn Murdoch by 6 and 4 to play.

Fourth Round.—Miss Bethune beat Miss J. K. Stewart by 2 and 1 to play; Miss Stewart beat Mrs. W. H. Burn by 6 and 5 to play; Mrs. Fleming beat Miss Murray Honey by 4 and 3 to play; Miss Gilliat beat Miss E. Moir by 4 and 3 to play; Miss Dalmahoy beat Mrs. Kerr by 4 and 3 to play; Miss Moir beat Miss A. Moir by 3 and 2 to play; Miss Bruce Johnston beat Miss J. M. Bethune by 2 and 1 to play; Miss B. D. Chiene beat Miss A. Grainger by 2 and 1 to play.

Fifth Round.—Miss Stewart beat Miss Bethune by 2; Miss Gilliat beat Mrs. Fleming by 3 and 1 to play; Miss Moir beat Miss Dalmahoy after a tie; Miss Bruce Johnston beat Miss B. D. Chiene by 1.

Sixth Round.—Miss Gilliat beat Miss Stewart by 1; Miss Moir beat Miss Bruce Johnston after a tie.

Final.—Miss Moir beat Miss Gilliat by 4 and 2 to play.

Playing for third and fourth prizes Miss Bruce Johnston beat Miss Stewart by 4 and 3 to play.

THE PROFESSIONAL FOURSOME AT NORTH BERWICK.

The foursome between A. and H. Kirkaldy against Sayers and Grant for £50 a-side has come and gone, and anticipation of an easy victory for North Berwick on the deciding day of the match has been amply justified by the result. Whilst undoubtedly the success of Sayers and Grant at St. Andrews was a source of widespread surprise, there were very many in North Berwick who, ere a stroke had been played, had weighed the couples in the balance and found the ultimate winners not wanting. Allowing for any little natural prejudice, this confidence was to some extent capable of explanation. The almost irresistible character of their combined game was well known locally, and in his *début* Grant was reasonably trusted by those acquainted with his temperament to preserve the utmost coolness. In this respect his admirers were not disappointed. Outside this district, on the other hand, the prowess of the brothers Kirkaldy won them at the outset the preponderance of favour. Provost Brodie made an ideal referee at North Berwick on Wednesday, and the game proceeded as smoothly as might be. Only after the match was over was a remark of the referee called in question, the redoubtable Crawford correcting, amidst laughter, a slight mistake against his side as to the state of the bye.

Punctually at 10.30, and in presence of a large crowd, the first ball was driven for Pointgarry. Grant had the honour from the tee, and played just short of the road with his driver. Andrew followed also with a good shot, and using his bulger brassy Hugh got up finely to the right. Being nearer the road, Sayers used his pitching cleek and played to within seven yards beyond the disc. Andrew had to give the odds, and was short, whilst Grant replied with a splendid long putt, and Hugh failed to get down, allowing Sayers to draw first blood for his side. This was rather an inauspicious beginning for the St. Andrews men, as they now stood six down on the match. Nothing daunted, however, by so early a reverse, the brothers wrested the next two holes from their opponents. Proceeding to the second hole Sayers had a long straight drive. Hugh rather pulled his ball to the left and into the quarry, Andrew following with a good cleek shot. On the green Sayers was a trifle nearer than Hugh, and Andrew laid a long putt dead. A half seemed probable; but Grant gave Sayers a dead stimy, and they lost. Weak approaching by the local men was taken advantage of by their opponents, and in the happier position of only four down at this early stage the St. Andrews representatives could already afford to breathe more freely. They had yet, however, cause for greater satisfaction ere the out half had been covered. A stimy fell to the lot of the North Berwick men at the Trap, and a half was the result. The Angle was also halved, as Hugh made ample amends for his brother's drive among the long grass by a really fine mashie shot. Sayers also laid his second dead in good style. After Hugh and Ben had driven finely for the sixth, Grant overran the hole, and as Andrew laid his ball dead from the mashie, the brothers stood only 3 down over the match, and 2 up on the play for the day. Well now might the admirers of St. Andrews feel gratified, for up to this point, Hugh and Andrew had played a good consistent game, with an average of four for the first six holes. Then, and then only, did the confidence of North Berwick perceptibly waver for a moment, and the expression, "They are to give them a pull for it yet," pretty nearly gauged the prevailing opinion. Disaster awaited the brothers at the very next hole, however, for three drives in succession found their way into the wood at the seventh, and without any effort the North Berwick men were again away with a lead of four. Sayers drove finely to the Hole o' Cross green with his brassy, whilst Hugh's ball lay a trifle short, Grant just failed to lay his partner dead, and the hole was halved in four. At the Quarry-out, Grant and Andrew had fine drives; but the strangers were bunkered on the way, and required 5 to 4. Ben and Hugh drove straight and splendidly for the end, and a half followed equal play through the green. Turning exactly as at the close of play

at St. Andrews the result was still very doubtful; but the issue was considerably narrowed when the succeeding two holes had fallen to the North Berwick men. Sayers, playing a beautiful shot off the tee with Carruther's patent cleek, gave his partner a good chance for the Pit, Andrew's approach shot at the Pit unfortunately striking the wall. The High Bent was halved in four each. Grant had a splendid cleek-shot to within seven yards of the disc; but Sayers failed to keep the ball dead. The holing out at Perfection saw the North Berwick players eight a-head, Sayers having a capital iron shot from the tee, and Hugh over-driving with his cleek. Going to the Redan, Grant and Andrew Kirkaldy drove well on to the green. The latter had the better putt with the third, and the local men lost the hole. Rather weak putting was responsible for the loss of this advantage at the Gate. Misfortune followed in the train of the representatives of St. Andrews at Pointgarry-in, Andrew with what appeared to be an excellent approach getting among the sand beyond the hole. Sayers made assurance doubly sure here by laying stone dead a long putt from his title cleek. The halving of the Home hole found the North Berwick men in the very safe position of leading by 9 with 18 to play.

With a well-nigh hopeless task confronting them at the outset of the second round, the St. Andrews men—evidently determined now to die hard—drew first blood, Sayers half-topping his second. The tide of defeat was too strong to be stemmed, however, and, despite a very good effort by Hugh with the third shot for the second hole, the bunker barred the way, and an easy win fell to North Berwick, Sayers having a very fine shot with his cleek on to the green. Five was required by each couple for the next hole; but now the Fife men could ill afford to allow their opponents even a half. Going to the Trap Andrew played a fine second with his mashie, but Hugh was left to play the odds to Sayers on the green, and the latter got down in 3 to 4. Now into a lead of double figures, the East Lothian men took the match in hand. Winning finely the succeeding two holes, they got dorny twelve, and a half at the seventh saw the match over in their favour by 12 up and 11 to play. The bye fell to North Berwick by 3 and 2 to play. The scores, necessarily approximate, especially as regards the first round, are as appended:—

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|---------------------------------|-----|-----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|------|------|
| Sayers and Grant.—First Round:— |     |     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |      |
| Out                             | ... | ... | 4 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5=43 | } 76 |
| In                              | ... | ... |   |   | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 4=33 |      |
| Second Round:—                  |     |     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |      |
| Out                             | ... | ... | 6 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5=43 | } 78 |
| In                              | ... | ... |   |   | 4 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 5=35 |      |
| The Kirkaldys.—First Round:—    |     |     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |      |
| Out                             | ... | ... | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 5=45 | } 83 |
| In                              | ... | ... |   |   | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 4=38 |      |
| Second Round:—                  |     |     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |      |
| Out                             | ... | ... | 5 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 6=48 | } 84 |
| In                              | ... | ... |   |   | 4 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5=36 |      |

TRESSADY GOLF CLUB.

The annual meeting of this club was held on September 5th, and though some disappointment was felt at the failure of last year's winner (Mr. Linley Sambourne) to retain the medal, yet the form of the scratch player, this year's winner, was of a very high class, and fully compensated the spectators for any discomfort due to the weather. The scores of the first six competitors are appended. Owing to indisposition, Mr. C. D. Waller did not play.

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| Mr. A. T. Thring   | 103 9 94   | Mr. L. Sambourne | 134 18 116 |
| Mr. V. J. Watney   | 118 15 103 | Mr. H. A. Newton | 134 5 129  |

WIMBLEDON LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The September medals were played for on the 19th inst., in drenching rain, which fell from eleven until dusk, with hardly a minute's cessation, and it shows well the popularity of the game with ladies that ten players were found to play the 18 holes. First Class.—Miss Isette Pearson, 84, less 6=78; Mrs. Arthur Pollock, 99, less 18=81; Mrs. Norman Foster, 104, less 17=87. Second Class.—Miss Stevenson, 98, less 29=69; Miss Nicol, 107, less 36=71; Mrs. Nicol, 110, less 36=74; Mrs. Archer, 100, less 24=76; Mrs. Meates, 108, less 27=81; Miss K. Macfarlan, 134, less 36=98; Miss E. P. Horne, 118, less 19=99.

MUSSELBURGH ARTISANS' COMPETITION.—The fourth round in this competition, which has been going on for the last six weeks, resulted as follows:—Mr. W. Millar (with an allowance of 9 strokes) beat Mr. D. Steeples (with an allowance of 7) by 2 holes; Mr. A. Ramage (14) beat Mr. A. Renton (14) by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. W. Grossart (5) beat Mr. W. Reid (12) by 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. W. Loch (12) beat Mr. T. Pearson (15) by 6 up and 5 to play. In the semi-final Mr. W. Millar beat Mr. A. Ramage by 6 up and 5 to play, and Mr. Grossart beat Mr. W. Loch by 3.

WOODFORD GOLF CLUB.

The first autumn members' handicap was held over the links at Woodford Green on September 19th, in most unfavourable weather. Rain fell heavily, and the course and putting-greens were very heavy and difficult, while owing to the mist the light was so bad that high scoring was altogether out of the question. Out of fourteen competitors who played, Mr. B. B. Hunt took first place, while his brother, Mr. F. C. B. Hunt, and Mr. A. H. Tozer divided the second and third honours between them. Messrs. S. R. Bastard, Corlett, Grundy, and F. F. McKenzie were close behind, and Messrs. P. and J. Mead, L. McKenzie, Spicer, Morris, Shadbolt and W. Kimsley also handed in their cards. It is contemplated to hold monthly competitions during the winter, and, as the club now numbers nearly one hundred members, a busy season is anticipated. The putting-greens and course show very considerable signs of improvement under the care of the new professional, A. C. Brown, of Musselburgh.

KINGHORN.—The final for the Bucher medal was played on the 16th inst., between Mr. George Oswald, Kinghorn, and Mr. Thomas Watt, Burntisland. A stiff breeze from the west interfered with the play. The conditions were scratch. Watt played a steady game, doing the two rounds in 42 each. Oswald came to grief at the hill, which cost him seven strokes—his total for the double round being 86, against Watt's 84. The second stage in the tournament for the Kinghorn Golf Club tournament medal was played on Saturday. The weather was fine, and the course in good condition. Four couples played, with the following result:—Mr. Thomas Smith, Kirkcaldy (1), beat Mr. George R. Hepburn, Kinghorn (2), by 1 hole; Mr. B. Key, Kirkcaldy (4), beat the Rev. John Johnstone, Kirkcaldy (2), by 1 hole; Mr. Thomas Watt, Burntisland (1), beat Mr. James Wyllie, Kinghorn (4), by 1 hole; Mr. James Hepburn, jun., Kinghorn (5), beat Mr. William Mann (4) by 1 hole.

"SCOTSMAN" CLUB.—Mr. J. Frater, with a net score of 85, was the winner of the medal at the usual monthly competition, which took place over the Braids on the 16th inst. Mr. T. H. Newlands was second with 88 net. A strong wind made low scoring difficult. On Saturday a large turn-out of members took place in the competition for the club's Braid Hills cup. The winning score was that of Mr. H. Neilson, 92, less 8=84.

GRANTOWN.—A mixed ladies' and gentlemen's competition took place on the ladies' green on Wednesday, the 16th inst. There was a good turn-out of players, sixteen couples starting. On the cards being handed in, it was found that Mrs. Potter and Mr. D. V. Haig were the winners of the first prize with a score of 74, Miss Burgess and Mr. Malcolm Cross being next with 75. Two prizes, given by the Merchiston members of the club were presented by Mr. Burgess to the ladies of the winning couples. The final handicap of the season was played on Saturday, and produced a field of twenty-six players. Mr. J. R. Burgess, with a scratch score of 85, and Mr. J. Grant Smith, with 105, less 20=85, tied for first place. Mr. J. Mackenzie came third with 91, less 5=86; Mr. J. Winchester, 91, less 4=87; Mr. A. N. Haig, 94, less 7=87; Mr. A. F. Grant, 102, less 15=87; Mr. S. Hay, 102, less 15=87; Mr. R. B. Webber, 102, less 15=87; Mr. R. Fasson, 103, less 16=87. No less than six players tied for the three remaining prizes with net scores of 87. Mr. Burgess won the tie, and also the captain's medal for the lowest scratch score.

KINGHORN THISTLE CLUB.—The last of six competitions during the season for the Dunsire cup was played on Saturday. The weather was fine, and the course in good condition. Councillor Thomson came in first with a score of 92, less 6=86. The six winners during the season are Mr. Thomas Dunsire, Mr. Thomas Storrer, Mr. Charles Robertson, Mr. John Dawson, Mr. James Mitchell, and Councillor Thomson, and these will play off the final shortly.

ARBROATH.—A match between married and single members of the Arbroath Club was played on the Elliott course on Saturday, sixteen a-side. The single scored 28 holes, and the married 22, the former thus winning by 6. A sweepstake was also played for, and was gained by—1, Mr. D. Greig, 87; 2 and 3 (divided), Mr. Arbuthnot and Mr. Brown, 88 each; 4, Mr. Mann, 91.

CRIEFF.—On Saturday the monthly competition for the club medal took place at Lethoway course in fine weather, which produced a field of five couples. The course at present is rather rough, but will improve by being played upon. The following is the result:—Mr. John Morgan, 81; Mr. John Gowe, 96; Provost Macgregor and Mr. R. B. R. Mair, equal, 101.

DORNOCH.—The weekly competition took place on Saturday. Mr. P. H. Don Wauchope, Edinburgh, was winner with a score of 89, less 6=83; and following him came Messrs. H. A. A. Kennedy, 88, less 2=86; M. Macdonald, 86, plus 1=87; George Bridgeford, 94, less 7=87; J. Sutherland, 87, plus 3=90; J. Campbell (scratch), 91; G. R. Kennedy, 94, less 2=92.

SCOTSCRAIG CLUB.—Play in the second round for ex-captain Thomson's cup has resulted as follows:—Dr. Orr (4) beat Mr. J. Simpson (scr.) by 6 holes and 4 to play; Rev. C. Halliday (scr.) beat Mr. W. C. Dickson (5) by 8 holes; Mr. G. B. Black (5) beat Mr. W. Davidson (6) by 1 hole; Mr. P. Sellars (8) beat Mr. A. Robertson (6) by 4 holes and 3 to play; Mr. G. Millar (8) beat Mr. A. S. Black (8) by 3 up and 2 to play. Mr. W. Death a bye, Mr. J. L. Eadie a bye. The draw in the third round resulted as follows:—Dr. Orr v. Rev. C. Halliday; Mr. P. Sellars v. Mr. J. L. Eadie; Mr. W. Death v. Mr. G. Millar. Mr. G. B. Black a bye.

MEDAL COMPETITION AT DUMFRIES.—The first competition for a gold medal, presented by Mr. Seiffert, watchmaker, to Dumfries and Galloway and Queen of the South Golf Clubs, for competition half-yearly, took place on Saturday, and was won by Mr. W. M. Blake, who had the lowest scratch score. A handicap competition for three prizes was decided by the same scores, Mr. R. Wright, jun., being first, Mr. W. M. Blake second, and Dr. Ferguson third. The handicaps are marked in parentheses. The following were the best scores:—Mr. R. Wright, jun. (18), 76; Mr. W. M. Blake (scratch) 81; Dr. Ferguson (20), 82; Mr. J. Stott (8), 85; Mr. H. Govan (scratch), 86; Mr. L. Starkey (6), 86; Mr. R. Morrison (scratch), 87; Mr. R. Wright (scratch), 87; Mr. Root (20), 87; Rev. W. V. Graham (20), 87; Mr. M. Jamieson (16), 89; Mr. F. Reid (4), 89.

COMRIE.—The members of this club held their monthly competition on Saturday for the gold medal, presented by Mr. Matthew Stewart, Glasgow, when it was won by Dr. Temple, with a scratch score of 99.

HARRISON CLUB.—The fortnightly gold medal of this club was played for over Harrison Park on the 18th inst., when Mr. A. Auchterlonie was declared the winner with a score of 49, plus 2=51, for ten holes, Mr. R. Coutts being second with 58, less 6=52.

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